

LET US QUOTE FOR  
**TERAZZO**

"THE MARBLE EFFECT"  
FOR ALL PURPOSES

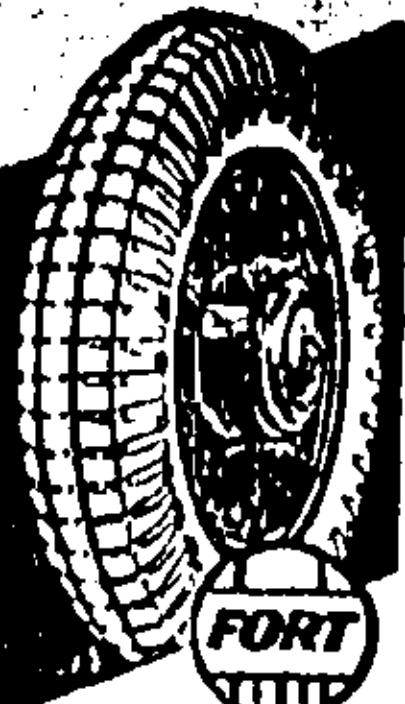
C. E. WARREN & CO., LTD.  
China Building.

Local Weather Forecaster  
N.E. winds, "Hongkong Telegraph"  
for The South China Morning Post, Ltd.,  
1 & 3, Wyndham Street, Hongkong.

Dollar on Demand:—Is. 5.1/16d.  
T.T. on New York:—24.  
Lighting-up Time:—6.05 p.m.  
High Water:—21.05.  
Low Water:—14.15.

Library, Supreme Court

A type of  
unique  
construction  
built for  
those who  
prefer  
superlative  
quality.



**Fort DUNLOP**  
The Tyre Incomparable

"South China Morning Post Bldg." Tel. 24556.

# The Hongkong Telegraph.

FOUNDED 1881 NO. 13,609 六拜禮 號三廿月正英港香 SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 1932. 日六十月二十

ON PAR AVANTAGE  
SINGLE COPY 10 CENTS

## SHANGHAI MAYOR'S COUNTER-DEMAND

### CATASTROPHIC ERUPTION OF ACATENANGO.

#### THREE TOWNS DESTROYED.

#### OMINOUS LACK OF DETAIL.

New York, Jan. 22. A terrible disaster has overtaken the little Central American republic of Guatemala, the scene of many great earthquake and volcanic catastrophes, according to a message from San Salvador, the adjacent republic.

At least three towns, Santa Lucia, Cotzumalhuapa and Antigua have been completely destroyed by the eruption of the volcano Acatenango.

A number of other towns are covered with dense clouds of smoke and falling ashes.

The fate of the town of Acatenango, 3,000 population, at the foot of the volcano is not known.

Antigua, which is 21 miles to the W.S.W. of Guatemala, the capital of the republic, was itself the capital until it was destroyed by an earthquake in 1773. It was then one of the most beautiful cities of America and had a population of about 60,000.

20,000 Population.

The new town which has arisen from the ashes, has a population of over 20,000. St. Lucia was also a large and thriving city.

There is a complete absence of further detail of the catastrophe, the number of casualties and so on.—Reuter.

### SPAIN REVOLT ALARM.

#### CALCULATED EXAGGERATIONS.

Madrid, Jan. 22. Although effective steps have been taken to suppress the Communist rebellion in Catalonia, official quarters allege that the situation is serious, and that a general revolutionary movement has been fixed for Monday.

The official allegations, however, are not much credited.

The general opinion is that the Government is exaggerating the seriousness of the situation with a view to obtaining general support prior to action against the Church and the Jesuits.—Reuter.

### S.M.C. IN A DILEMMA.



Picture shows Japanese naval craft which have been partially mobilised in view of the grave situation in Shanghai. The battleship Nagato is seen on right.

## THE SITUATION RIPE FOR GREAT FLARE-UP.

## ALL POLICE UNDER ORDERS FOR "ZERO HOUR" TO-DAY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23.

**THE CHINESE REPLY** to the ultimatum delivered by Admiral Shiosawa, commanding the Japanese Fleet, is being delayed until the return of Mr. Wu Tieh-chen, the Mayor of Greater Shanghai, from Nanking.

The Japanese are in a highly inflamed state of feeling and are holding mass meetings daily. One of the Japanese monks injured by the Chinese mob on Monday has since died, adding fuel to the flames.

The Japanese insist that the demands must be met and if not that drastic measures must be taken. They will not be content with half-way measures, and no equivocation of any kind in the answer of the Mayor will be tolerated.

An aeroplane-carrier, a cruiser and four destroyers to supplement the 400 men despatched from Kure are expected to reach Shanghai to-day.

The whole of the Settlement Police Force is under orders to stand by at two o'clock this afternoon, the hour of the burial of Mr. Matsujuro Yunase, the Japanese who was killed after the burning of the San Yu Towel Factory.

Japanese merchants have made huge donations to the expenses connected with the funeral which is certain to be a big affair attended by the Japanese community en masse.

Japanese military men are patrolling the Eastern District of the Settlement.

### FOREIGN CONSULS IN CONFERENCE.

The foreign Consuls, Municipal officials and the commanders of the various military forces in the Settlement commenced a conference this morning.

Unless drastic precautions are adopted, it is feared that rioting on a much more serious scale will develop. The situation is ripe for a huge flare-up at any moment.

The Chinese threaten that unless the Japanese are suppressed, they will refuse to pay the Municipal taxes.

Mr. Wu Tieh-chen has sent a protest to Mr. Murai, the Japanese Consul-General, demanding an apology for Wednesday's riots, the arrest and punishment of those responsible, compensation for the Chinese killed and injured, and a guarantee that a similar incident will not occur.

### TYPEWRITING ON THE 'PHONE.

(Special to "Telegraph.")

Shanghai, Jan. 23.

Considerable apprehension exists here in view of the rising Sino-Japanese antagonism due to the clashes of the past three days.

The Settlement authorities are in a dilemma as to how to quieten the Chinese, who are seething with resentment against Japan, and the Japanese, who are intensely irritated by the huge losses suffered owing to the boycott, and the failure of the Council to suppress the anti-Japanese organisations.

To-day, the Japanese have ten warships and a thousand Marines at Shanghai and the Cabinet decision at Tokyo to "take the most appropriate measures suitable to the situation," has given rise to fears that the Japanese may attempt to usurp the authority of the Settlement.—Reuter.

So far no charge has been made against them, but they are being held on the grounds, amongst others, of being undesirable aliens.

Shanghai, Jan. 22.

The Chinese Municipal Govern-

### FUGITIVE SAVES CONSTABLE.

### TURNS BACK TO RESCUE.

### LIGHT SENTENCE.

(Reuters' Special Service).

London, Jan. 22. There was a most unusual incident in a West London Police Court to-day; the spectacle of the prosecuting counsel commanding the prisoner.

It appears that the man in the dock was fleeing from the police, but returned in order to help an officer who was in grave danger.

Evidence was given to the effect that the prisoner was found lurking upon school premises. When a policeman surprised him, he fled across the roof.

The pursuing constable fell through and only saved himself by grasping a beam.

The prisoner returned and seized the policeman by the belt, supporting him until help came and then continued his flight.

When he was arrested, he was found to be badly wounded in the hand.

In view of the circumstances, special leniency was shown to the prisoner, who had many previous convictions. He was sentenced to six weeks.

### Ford Enters Baby Field.

### A VEST-POCKET MODEL.

Detroit, Jan. 22. Mr. Henry Ford is entering the "baby car" market, according to a Michigan paper.

The report says that twelve Baby Fords have been secretly shipped to England.

They are under ten feet long, the bumper width is 55 inches and the height is fifty-three inches. The car has a four-cylinder engine, eleven inches long.—Reuters' American Service.

### SHAVING BRUSH DANGER.

### HONGKONG SAFETY PRECAUTION.

The following regulation has been made by the Governor-in-Council under the Importation and Exportation Ordinance:

"No person shall import for sale or distribution in the Colony any shaving brushes manufactured in or exported from Japan, unless such shaving brushes are accompanied by a certificate, to the satisfaction of the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, that the same are free from anthrax infection."

### INDIAN PARLEY APPOINTMENTS.

### TWO NAMES ADDED TO COMMITTEE.

London, Jan. 22.

Sir Zulfiqar Ali Khan and Mr. Chintamani have been added to the Indian personnel of the Committee about to begin work in India in continuation of the discussions of the Round Table Conference.—British Wireless.

His Excellency the Governor has re-appointed, provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council for a further period of four years.

### Marbella Seizure Sequel.

### Captain and Two of Crew Detained.

The three men who were taken into custody yesterday include the captain, Sybrand Ypma, a native of Holland, and a German and an Austrian.

It is unlikely that they will appear before a Court for some time, as searching investigations into their movements are being made. If certain evidence is obtain, it is possible that the Superintendent of Imports and Exports will prefer a charge against them.

So far no charge has been made against them, but they are being held on the grounds, amongst others, of being undesirable aliens.

Shanghai, Jan. 22.

The Chinese Municipal Govern-

## Bulls and Inners

From the Office Butts.

We notice that silver fell in London on Monday "both for discovery Queen Anne's death spot and ready." This seems to suggest that nobody knows what the future has in store.

Reader:—The "roaring forties" are the good time a man has before he is fifty.

"Make money at Home," says an advertisement. But look out the police don't hear about it.

£ S. where art thou?

In view of this Soviet timber controversy, it seems that those who fear an economic debacle do not believe in touching wood.

The Kowloon man who drank lemon juice in the dark for whisky, pulled a rye face.

The burning question:—Should a husband stay in and tume when the light of his life goes out with an old flame?

How a Scotsman leaves a hotel: Unhonoured, Unwreath and Unstung.

Might we describe the Disarmament Conference delegates as the Powers' Pow-wowers?

Nowadays, England expects every man to do his duty, and to pay it as well.

HE: I had a dream of you last night. SUE (coldly): Really? HE: Yes; then I woke up, shut the window, and put an extra blanket on the bed.

Economists never tire of telling us that the present trade depression is due to the fall in commodity prices. Presumably when better times come, the necessities of life will be costly enough for everyone to buy.

The Peak will soon be approaching the fore-end of the season.

Constitution has been caused in Army circles by the proposal that new uniforms shall consist of plus-fours, gaiters, tennis shirts and low-necked tunics.

Pahteeeee! Tshuuuuuuu! Stannananaaaaa!

Now for kit inspection! Make those plus-fours hide your knees!

That gaiter needs correction! Tunie collars not so stiff; Make them look more sporty.

Some of you look just as if The army's something haughty. Gone the day of poker backs, Of thumbs in line with seams. Now for negligee and slacks.

And later on—face-creams. And when on guard, don't shoulder arms, But hold them at your pleasure. And cultivate sartorial charms. Paraaananaaaaa! Diamiss! at leisure!

CYN.

Trainway Company shares are expected to boom now that the Iking Association has really begun its activities.

A reader suggests that it's about time Mendelssohn's Songs Without Words were broadcast locally. Come to think of it, they'd be better than Songs Without Music.

From the same source, we observe that the revolutionaries Sallent, Suria and Berga, in towns north of Barcelona, have proclaimed a Communist Republic. It is believed that Senhor Madrid and Sonora Seville are also interested in the movement.

How is it when a new golf course is opened nobody celebrates the cutting of the first divot?

Many Hongkong dwellers don't favour garden cities when it means so much levelling, doncher know.

"Has France Torpedoed The Lausanne Conference?" asks a man at home. He has collected newspaper headings. If so it would be a case of having minded her own business.

## THE HONGKONG

PENINSULA HOTEL:

HONGKONG HOTEL: REPULSE BAY HOTEL:

PEAK HOTEL

and

## SHANGHAI

ASTOR HOUSE: PALACE HOTEL:

## HOTELS

LIMITED.

In association with the Grand Hotel  
Des Wagons Lits, Peking.

## PALACE HOTEL.

Telephone 57005 Telegraphic Address "Palace."  
A First Class Residential & Tourist Hotel Under Entirely  
European Management High Class Wines & Spirits Steel Coulson's  
Beer On Draught Four Full Sized Billiard Tables Billiards, Snooker,  
& Billiards.

MRS. J. H. OXBERRY,

Proprietress.

## Penang

The Scenic Gem of Malaya

A  
first class  
HotelModern  
throughout and  
beautifully  
Situated

## Runnymede Hotel

Malaya's Premier Hotel  
Food and Wine especially good

AFTER-DINNER DANCE

Every Wednesday &amp; Saturday—Orchestra Daily

CABLES "RUNNYMEDE"

RUNNYMEDE HOTEL LTD. George Goldsack, Manager

## EUROPE HOTEL

SINGAPORE.

"RENNED BY RECOMMENDATION"

DANCING: After Dinner every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

MUSIC: On the VERANDAH—

Monday to Friday—7.45 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Saturdays—12.30 p.m. to 1.30 p.m.  
and 8.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Sunday Concerts—9.15 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Robert Dreacher's Famous Viennese Orchestra  
Plays During Tiffin and Dinner Every Day.

## GRILL:

Telephone, 5341 (8 lines)  
Cables "EUROPE" Singapore.THE EUROPE HOTEL, Ltd.  
Arthur F. Odell  
Managing Director.

## SALE

## TO CLEAR

## A Special Offer

of

Afternoon and Evening

Gowns at

\$25.00 each

in

Lace, Georgette Crepe, Etc.  
This Season's Models.THE ARCADE  
GLOUCESTER  
BUILDINGNa... say  
clumsieChildren thrive well if  
nourished by SCOTT'S  
Emulsion which en-  
riches the blood and  
strengthens childhood  
without Ask forSCOTT'S  
EmulsionBRITISH TARIFF  
SPLIT.SNOWDEN'S FOLLOWERS  
STUMBLING BLOCK.

London, Jan. 22. Mr. MacDonald's dramatic refusal to visit M. Laval, and Sir John Simon's cancellation of his trip to Geneva, together with the wholesale cancellation by Cabinet Ministers of social engagements, are held in political circles to be outward signs of acute Cabinet differences on fiscal policy.

Sir Herbert Samuel and Lord Snowden are credited with being the stumbling blocks in a comprehensive tariff programme, which was tentatively stated to comprise a general emergency tariff of 10 to 15 per cent., pending the formation of a commission to frame a higher scale for non-essential imports.

It is thought that free traders might be induced to accept the plan as a revenue tariff, but the Snowdenian school is credited with contending that the situation was recently profoundly altered by the suspension of the gold standard. Moreover, they oppose the adoption of an unalterable fiscal policy. Hence there is extraordinary interest in the Cabinet meeting which opened this morning, and is likely to prove one of the most critical in the lifetime of the present National Government, and test the diplomacy of Mr. MacDonald to keep them together.—Reuter.

No Unanimity.

On the termination of the prolonged Cabinet meeting, it was officially announced that it has been found impossible to reach a unanimous conclusion on the Fiscal Committee's recommendation.

The communiqué states that the Cabinet, however, is deeply impressed by the paramount importance of maintaining national unity, and accordingly determined that some modification of the usual Ministerial practice is required, and has decided that Ministers who are unable to agree with the majority of their colleagues on the subject of import duties and cognate matters be at liberty to express their views by speech and vote. Being essentially united on all other matters of policy, the Cabinet believes it is hereby best interpreting the will of the nation.—Reuter.

Timber Supplies.

London, Jan. 21. Apropos the Canadian representations regarding the reported Russian timber contract concerning which Canada desired to ensure that the Canadian timber trade should not be interfered with by the possible imposition of a British protective tariff, Mr. J. H. Thomas, the Secretary for Colonies has replied to the Canadian High Commissioner that no British group had made representations for the protection of any timber contract which might be made with the Soviet.

The whole question is being carefully investigated. Mr. Thomas recalled a statement he made in the House of Commons, to which the Government still adhered, declaring that no commitments would be made which would hamper or prejudice the free and unfeathered discussion of economic problems at the Ottawa Conference.—Reuter.

Import Duties.

London, Jan. 22. The Ministry of Agriculture have issued an order imposing an import duty on tomatoes of two-pence a pound, between June 1 and July 31, and a penny a pound between August 1 and October 31.

The London Chamber of Commerce state that many inquiries from foreign manufacturers about factory sites in England continue to be received, and some 20 foreign firms have already decided to build here for the production of goods for the English market affected by the recently imposed customs duties.—British Wires.

GIRL GUIDES SHORT  
OF OFFICERS.ASSOCIATION NEEDS  
CANDIDATES.

An appeal for Guide Officers to help in the work of the Girl Guides' Association of Hongkong was made at the annual meeting of the Association, which was held at Government House on Thursday week, January 14, 1932, under the Chairmanship of the President, Lady Peel.

It was pointed out that lack of Officers had been the greatest handicap of the movement in the past, but an Officers' Training Company had now been started, and those interested were requested to write to the Honorary Secretary, Mrs. C. E. L. Grist, No. 524, The Peak, for full particulars.

The Attendance.

Those present included: Mrs. W. T. Southorn (Colony Commissioner), Mrs. R. M. Dyer (Colony Treasurer), Mrs. W. J. Anderson (District Commissioner), Mrs. Alan Jones (Equipment Secretary), Mrs. C. E. L. Grist (Colony Secretary), Mrs. J. Owen Hughes, Mrs. R. H. Kotewall, Miss Woo, M.B.E., Mrs. K. Dunsterville, Mrs. E. R. Hallifax, Mrs. G. D. R. Black, Mrs. J. H. Taggart, Mrs. E. E. Lindsell, Miss Druse, Mrs. E. P. Minett, Mrs. E. B. Reed, Mrs. W. B. A. Moore, Mrs. C. G. S. Mackie, Mrs. J. Danby, Mrs. A. H. Walker, Mrs. K. M. Talati, Mrs. Gubbay, Mrs. J. Hunt.

Letters regretting absence were received from Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe, M.B.E., Lady Ho Tung, Mrs. H. T. Creasy, M.B.E., Madame Yoshida, Miss Cooper, Mrs. D. W. Tratman, Miss Sawyer, Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips, The Superiorese Italian Convent.

Guide Trainer.

After the adoption of the annual report and balance sheet, Mrs. Southorn stated that there were two items which did not appear in the report. One was that a Guide trainer, Miss Rachael Warren, from Ilford, was expected here on 11th February. In a small place like Hongkong it was of great advantage to the Movement to have fresh ideas and constructive criticism.

Secondly, the Guides had had the good fortune to obtain permission, through General Sandilands, to build a Guide Headquarters on a beautiful site on the way to Flagstaff House. General Sandilands had been a marvellous friend to the movement, and the Guides could not sufficiently express their gratitude to him. The Guides and Brownies needed a meeting place where links of friendship could be strengthened, where cooking tests and other practical work could be carried out, and a place where they could keep their stores. This had been put within their reach by General Sandilands.

New Hut Donations.

In addition, owing to the kind interest of Mrs. Kotewall (one of the Vice-Presidents) and the great generosity of Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, who was the champion and supporter of all good causes in the Colony, a sum of \$1,000 towards the cost of the hut had been promised. Mr. Tang headed the list with a donation of \$500 and had offered to raise the remainder. It was hoped to begin building soon. Colonel Skinner, to whom many thanks were due, had already drawn up a plan. It was hoped that other Vice-Presidents, and all the Guide Companies and Packs would give a helping hand. It would be necessary to furnish the hut and equip it so that, while not going in for anything extravagant, it would prove a pleasant meeting place for all Guides and Guide friends.

Thanks Expressed.

Mrs. Southorn expressed the sincere thanks of the Guide Association to Lady Peel, for permitting the meeting to be held at Government House, and also for many other kindnesses to Guides during the past year. Many thanks were also due to those who had served on Headquarters Com-

Commenting To-morrow at the  
QUEEN'SA ten-o drama  
for Norma  
Shearer's finest  
stage performance!NORMA  
SHEARERIn a new  
screen  
treatmentwith  
LIONEL  
BARRYMORE,  
LITTLE EDWARD,  
CLARK GABLE  
and  
Margot Moreau

Music by Max Steiner

Produced by

Directed by

Screenplay by

Photographed by

Edited by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

Cinematography by

Art Direction by

Costumes by

Production Design by

Sound by

Musical Score by

*At the*  
**Hongkong Hotel**

DANCES  
in the  
ROOF  
GARDEN

**TEA DANCES**

EVERY  
WEEK-DAY &  
AFTERNOON

Wednesday & Saturday  
4.30 to 6.30 p.m.  
other days  
5.15

INCLUDING CHARGE  
for  
TEA & DANCING  
\$1.00

**DINNER DANCES**

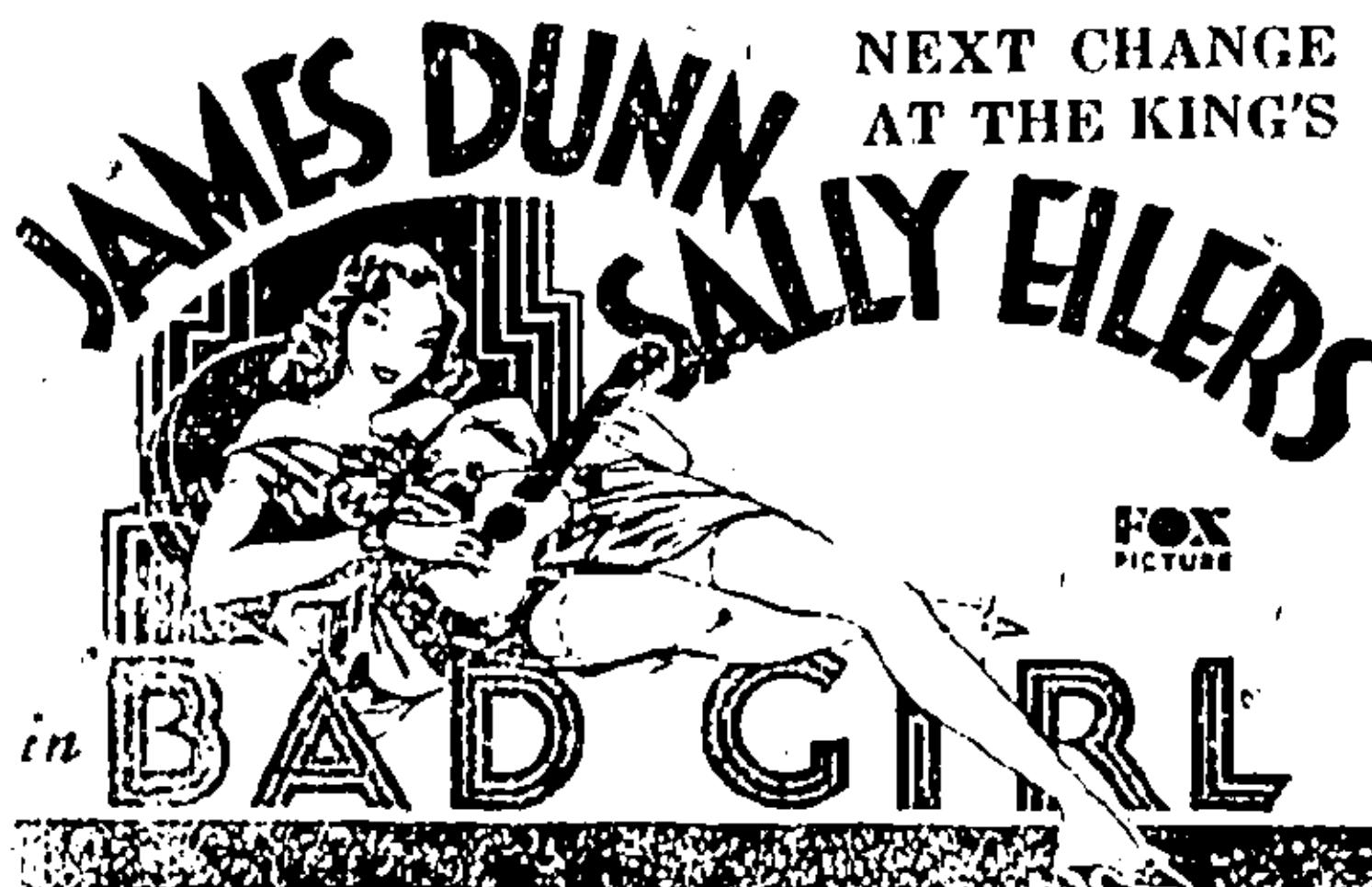
During and after Dinner  
NIGHTLY

till 12 midnight

Mondays to Saturdays

in the  
NEW GRILL &  
BALLROOM

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.



**VIENNA  
SHOE STORE**

MADE  
IN  
EUROPE

**Bata**  
Shoes

MADE  
IN  
EUROPE

ALSO—

A Large Selection of our own  
productions.

ORDERS TAKEN

EUROPEAN HAND-MADE SHOES  
EXCLUSIVE STYLES

Lowest Prices in the Colony.

32 THE ARCADE  
GLOUCESTER BLDG.

TEL. 27075.

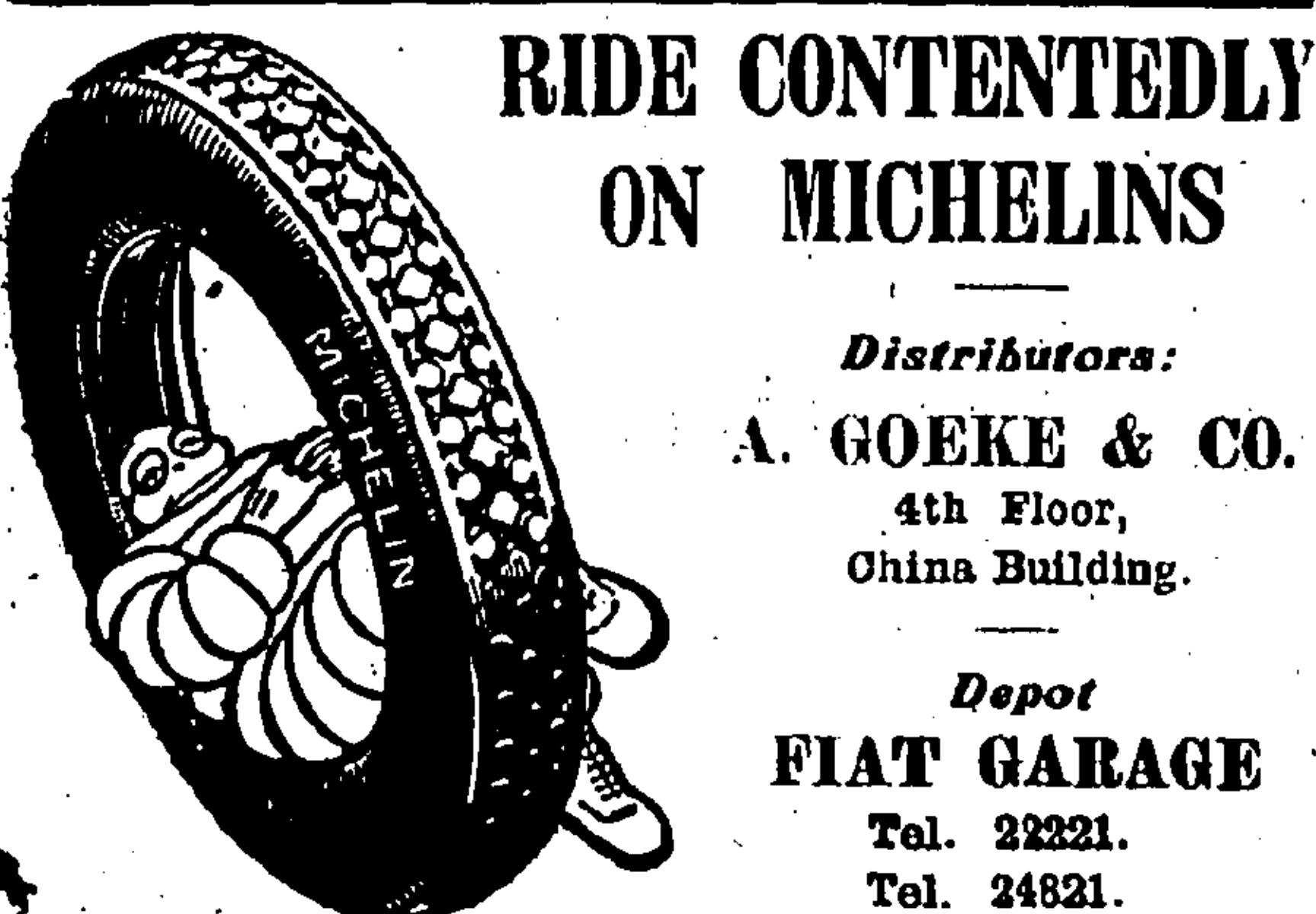
**RIDE CONTENTEDLY  
ON MICHELINS**

Distributors:

A. GOEKE & CO.  
4th Floor,  
China Building.

Depot

**FIAT GARAGE**  
Tel. 22221.  
Tel. 24821.



**MICHELIN**

**Gems of Peril**

**HAZEL  
ROSS HAILEY**

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

Mary Harkness plots to ensnare The Fly, who she believes "framed" her, brother, Eddie, with the murder of old Mrs. Jupiter, and uses her seductive ways and killing skill to do it. In "Gems of Peril," Miss Ross Hailey's latest, Dick Rutherford, believes Eddie guilty, as do police.

Bruce Jupiter returns from Europe with a woman friend, Louise, and finds his father, who makes Mary his heir, Bruce wants to rob Mary, who he thinks is a gold-digger. Dick forbids Mary to see Bowen or continue their liaison. She goes to Miami on the Jupiter yacht, however. The Fly will be at Miami to see his horse run.

She meets Count De Loma. De Loma is the man who got The Fly's necklace.

Jupiter has a car of the same make as that used by the murderer, but he explains it was bought for experimental purposes. He finds Eddie dead. Of course, the car...

Bowen, however, Louise and Louise quarrel because she cannot explain where she got a diamond bracelet. Louise says it was given to her by the man who killed her. She discloses it was stolen from Mrs. Jupiter the night she was killed. Mary goes down in pitch in the hotel safe and encounters The Fly, who is scared off by Bates, the detective.

CHAPTER XXXVII

Mary laid a light yet wrap about her shoulders and stepped into the hall as soon as she heard Bates' door close. He stood resplendent in evening dress, clawing at his collar, an improved but still a brightly sunburnt young man.

"All set?"

"All set," Mary replied.

"Lord," he groaned, "I thought this job was a cinch when I took it. Yachts, parties—but phooey!" He lifted his chin as far as possible out of his unrelenting collar, settled back again and said resignedly, "Well, let's go." He hummed lugubriously a bar or two of the "Dead March."

A trace of the old Mary was in the glee this provided from her.

"It will be cooler on the roof," she comforted him. She had grown rather fond of the little chap in recent days; how competent he was as a detective she did not know, but he was doggedly willing and a cheerful soul, and she owed him something for the smile he gave her. She thought of the money Mr. Jupiter had given her and decided suddenly what to do with it.

She put it in his surprised hand and clenched the fingers on it.

"No!" he boomed loudly, astound, but she made him take it.

"For being a good egg," she said.

"How did you come out with your puzzle?"

"Oh, that." He seemed relieved to change the subject. "I didn't get much done on that. Took all my time getting into this boiled shirt. Maybe I ought to stay down and work on that—"

he asked hopefully. "I could, if you weren't sporting that necklace around so free—"

"You come along. Let the picture puzzle go for the present. More than likely it's just some political candidate he doesn't dislike to. Even criminals have their politics, I suppose."

Bates rapped on Mr. Jupiter's door, evening the necklace meanwhile. "Phew!" he remarked. "Some class, eh?" There's going to be several hundred mighty jealous wrens at that party when they glimpse that, believe me."

"Come in!" yelled Mr. Jupiter in a voice that made them both start. As soon as they entered, they realized that he was very angry. Bruce was there, leaning against a chair, examining the tip of his cigarette with half-closed eyes.

Jupiter nodded toward chairs, then turned back to Bruce.

"Go on! Say what you've got to say," he commanded roughly. Mary's heart sank—a quarrel with Bruce at this particular moment? If only the old man would soften his attitude toward his son a little, she thought Bruce might be won to his father's views much more easily. But Bruce's manner hardened to meet his father's.

"Let me get this straight," Bruce frowned. "I'm to understand that you suspect De Loma of being the man you're after?"

Jupiter, Senior, nodded.

"Good Lord!" Bruce burst out. "I despise the chap certainly, but do you realize the absurdity of that? Why, he's an old friend of Louise's! She's known him for years, and whatever else he may be surely it's nonsense to try to make him out a murderer, a—ah—thief!"

When no one spoke, he continued in a tone that struggled to keep reasonable. "I grant you he may not be precisely a lily, by the strict American code of morals, ethics and whatnot. His nobility, you know. And post-war conditions—I don't say he may not have turned his hand to a shady deal or two, to keep from starving—"

Mary had an impression that he was talking to bolster up his own courage, that behind this scornful front he was frightened. The spectacle of his Louise in the arms of a man of that stripe was horrible to him. Against his judgment he must believe the best of the man or see Louise as horribly smudged by her former association with him.

"To keep from working, you mean," Bates interjected disgustedly.

Before Bruce could reply, Mary checked him with another question. "You haven't told Louise what we know about De Loma, have you?"

Bruce regarded her steadily. "Not yet," he said deliberately.

"Look here, father, perhaps I can't alter your ideas about this man just yet, but I can alter them about someone else, I imagine. I happen

"That bracelet," Jupiter spoke gently, as if to a child, "was your mother's, son. It was part of what he—robber got when he—when he hit your mamma, and got away. I'd know the bracelet anywhere. I made it made special for her the time you didn't come home, that summer—remember? You sold you would and then something changed our plans. She left kinda bad. I wanted to give her something. Why," he looked round at Mary excitedly, "I believe to my soul it's not her initials in it! Did you notice, Mary?"

Mary shook her head.

"Well, it has. You look next time. If Louise got it from De Loma, then that proves all we've been trying to prove. Sure as sin is the man who killed your mamma, Bruce. Now, is that enough for you? Anything else you want to say?"

Bruce still leaned against the hair, but there was something uttered in him—a sort of crumpling of the spirit that drew faint pity even from the girl he had just deceived. After all, he was only a rather strong-headed young man who had swallowed an overdose of cynicism and sophistication at too early an age.

Mr. Jupiter spoke to him then more gently than Mary had ever heard him.

"Bruce, my son," he said, "we need you. Will you help us?"

Bruce drew himself up, refusing to meet his father's eyes. He was not yet ready to give in. "There must be some explanation—" he stammered. "Till I've heard both sides, I can't—"

"You'll not speak a word of this to De Loma or to that woman, either!" Jupiter flared. "You hear me? I'll put you under lock and key if you don't give me your solemn promise not to open your mouth on the subject to either of them until we've had a chance to make an arrest. Promise me."

Mary came forward, laid her hand on Mr. Jupiter's threatening fist.

"Let him do just this, if he will," she soothed. "Ask him to keep Louise away from the hotel for this evening to avoid any further scenes. Keep her where she won't act or speak to De Loma, until we've done what we planned to do tonight. If De Loma learns we have the bracelet, it may be dangerous, you see—" she explained. "I imagine you won't want to have dinner with us now and I'm sure she won't."

"You imagine correctly. Nothing would give us greater pleasure than to offer you our regrets." With that Bruce went out.

Mary turned impulsively to the old man, her heart wrung by the forlorn expression on his face.

(Continued on Page 13.)

# MACLEANS PEROXIDE TOOTH PASTE

British to the Teeth.

Stocked by all Pharmacies, Dispensaries and Departmental Stores.

Sole Agents—  
**W. R. LOXLEY & Co.**



If you listen to my advice as an experienced doctor, then . . .

exercise the greatest care in the choice of baby's food. So much in later years depends on the foundation laid in infancy. With the mother lies a big responsibility, the welfare of the coming generation. The tropics especially call for a healthy constitution. For baby, therefore, the best only is good enough. This is the reason why you should give baby plenty of "BEAR BRAND" Milk. It does more than merely nourish, it builds up the whole system, it paves the way to perfect health and success in life. BEAR BRAND comes from the great Swiss Milk centre, the Emmenthal, it is very rich in nutritive elements, absolutely pure and an infant food par excellence. BEAR BRAND Milk goes to make healthy babies, happy children, successful men and women.

## BEAR BRAND

Natural Swiss Milk



A.B. MOULDER & CO., LTD.

China Building  
Sales Agents for South China

How are your floors laid?

LINO. WOOD.  
TILES, PARQUET

To make them look their best the finest ingredients only must go in the polish and those are always found in ADAMS'S. The Furniture Polish, too, will be found just as good. Works: Sheffield, England.

Sole Agents: W. R. LOXLEY & CO.  
HONG KONG.

## ADAMS'S FLOOR POLISH

ALL ELECTRIC  
Kennedy Selectone Control  
Hear it in our Showroom  
—open 9-7 daily—or re-quest for a demonstration  
in your own home.  
EXPERT & SCIENTIFIC  
SERVICE WITH EVERY  
SALE

For the Best  
**LOCAL VIEWS**

and  
**PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHS**

Go To

**MEE CHEUNG**

Studio, Ice House St.: Branch 7, Beaconsfield.

### Central Commercial Company

King's Building. 4th Floor.  
Entrance opposite Star Ferry.

A.P.D.A.

# TO-DAY'S WANTS.

26 Women . . . . . \$1.50  
(\$2.00 if Not Prepared.)  
The following replies have been received:—  
908, 909.

## WANTED KNOWN

WONDERFUL Bargains in Smart American SPORTS SUITS and latest style HATS at The Dolly Varden Hat Shop. Hats from \$5.

## SITUATIONS

A CHINESE gentleman possessing substantial amount of cash capital and with over ten years experience as general manager in one of the biggest firms of general importers and dealers in patent medicines and toilet requisites, cosmetics, and bookellers in Malaya, desires same POSITION in Hongkong. Willing to join partnership or finance any kind of business which is worth while. Please write with full particulars to Box No. 908, "Hongkong Telegraph."

## LOST

LOST. On the night of 20th January, between Queen's Theatre and Mac's Cafe, gold and platinum pendant set with diamonds (with chain). Finder please return to Tester Beauty Parlour. Reward.

## MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED.—Eurasian gentleman requires coaching in TENNIS, on Sunday mornings and Saturday afternoons, by one who could introduce him to Tennis Club. Terms, etc. Write Box No. 911, "Hongkong Telegraph."

## FOR SALE

FOR SALE.—Royal Portable Typewriter.—New cost \$265.00. Will sell for \$150.00, also one Underwood, for quick sale in excellent condition. \$120.00. Apply Room No. 10, Airlie Hotel, 23-25, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

FOR SALE.—Owner leaving Colony valuable furniture same as new dining room, drawing room, two bedrooms, fittings, stove, frigidaire, etc., etc. Removal of furniture unnecessary if buyer takes over premises in most agreeable surroundings. Write Box No. 910, "Hongkong Telegraph."

FOR SALE.—European house on Broadwood Road (higher level) four rooms, two bathrooms, servants quarters, small garden. Write Box No. 905, "Hongkong Telegraph."

FOR SALE.—Semi-detached house on Stubbs Road, near Magazine Gap. Five-rooms three bathrooms servants quarters. Write Box No. 906, "Hongkong Telegraph."

FOR SALE.—Chinese house at Mosque Junction, three rooms and kitchen. Write Box No. 907, "Hongkong Telegraph."

FOR SALE.—A modern BUNGALOW at Magazine Gap, three bedrooms three bathrooms Drawing room, Dining room and writing room, large garden and garage, furniture can remain on valuation. Early possession. Write Box No. 908, "Hongkong Telegraph."

## APARTMENTS

AIRIE HOTEL.—23-25, Nathan Road, Kowloon. Under European Management. Excellent Cuisine, Modern Apartments. Terms Moderate. Three minutes from ferry. Tel. 57357.

## CONSIGNEES' NOTICE

N. Y. LINE  
(NIIPPON YUSEN KAISHA)  
From EUROPE and STRAITS.

The Steamship,

"HARUNA MARU," having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargos are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. Goods not cleared by the 29th January, 1932, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period.

For the examination of damaged dutiable goods, the consignees must arrange for a Revenue Officer to be present.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,  
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1932.

MASSAGE HALL  
MRS. S. UZUNOYE  
Expert Massagist.  
57, Queen's Road C, 2nd floor.

## CHURCH NOTICES.

### Septuagesima Sunday.

#### LOCAL SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral.  
January 24, Septuagesima Sunday.  
Holy Communion 8 a.m.  
Holy Communion (Punkt Church) 8 a.m.  
Children's Service 10 a.m.  
Matins and Sermon 11 a.m.  
Preacher: The Very Rev. The Dean.  
Evening 6 p.m. Preacher: The Rev. H. V. Koop.  
Social Evening in Cathedral Hall after Evensong.

#### PROTESTANT CEMETERY CHAPEL (Happy Valley).

Services in connexion with St. John's Cathedral.  
There will be shortened Evensong with address in the above Chapel to-morrow at 5.15 p.m.  
The Subject of the Address is from St. Paul's Epistle to the Christians in Rome "I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

#### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH. (Kowloon.)

#### Business for the Annual Meeting.

Services for Sunday, January 24, Septuagesima Sunday, 8.15 a.m., Holy Communion, 10 a.m., Young People's Service, Primary Sunday School, 11 a.m., Morning Prayer & Sermon, Preacher, Rev. N. V. Halward, 2.45 p.m., Senior & Intermediate Sunday School, 6 p.m., Evening Prayer & Sermon, Preacher, The Vicar.

#### WESLEYAN CHURCH.

#### Union Church Pastor to Preach.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wan Chai, (Opposite Royal Naval Hospital, Queen's Rd. E.).

Sunday, January 24.

Morning Service at 10.15 a.m., Evening Service at 6 p.m., Preacher at both Services, Rev. F. G. Powell, Sunday School is held each Sunday 3 p.m.

At the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home.

Sunday at 8.15 p.m. Service Men's Hour.

Every Tuesday at 8 p.m., Fellowship Meeting. All are cordially invited to attend.

#### SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS.

The following services will be held at the Seventh-day Adventist Chapel, 20, Ice House Street.

Saturday 2 p.m. Preaching.

Saturday 3 p.m. Sabbath School.

Sunday-night, 6 p.m. Preaching.

Subject—"Are We Near Christ's Return?" by Lyman W. Shaw, Pastor.

Wednesday night, 8 p.m. Prayer Service.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

#### FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Macdonnell Road, below Bowen Road Tram Station, Sunday Service, 11.15 a.m. Subject: "Truth."

The Sunday School is held on Sunday Morning at 10 o'clock.

Wednesday Evening Meeting at 6 p.m. Reading Room at above address open Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Monday and Thursday, 5.30 to 7 p.m. The Public is cordially invited to attend the service and visit the Reading Room, Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., U.S.A.

#### UNION CHURCH. (Hongkong).

The following are the services for to-morrow at Union Church, Hongkong:

Morning. Sunday School 10 a.m., Naval Parade Service 10.15 a.m., Public Worship 11 a.m. Young People's Service.

A service is allotted once a month in which the younger members of the congregation have a prominent part, in reading the lesson, singing and collecting the offertory. The Sermon is also meant to be chiefly a message for younger folk.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### NOTICE.

AT LIBERTY.  
January 28. February 19.  
(Inclusive).

First Class Concert and Dance Orchestra of Vancouver, Canada open for all classes of engagements. Apply G. Redfern, (Lender) C.P.O.S. Empress of Canada.

### FANLING HUNT & RACE CLUB.

Two buses of the China Motor Bus Co. will leave the Star Ferry on Sunday, 24th January, one at 10.45 a.m. and one at 11.15 a.m. going direct to Kwanti Race Course via Castle Peak, and returning soon after the race.

The fare there and back, including entrance to the Race Meeting (Public Enclosure), will be \$3.00.

THOMSON & CO.  
Secretaries.

### CHINESE ESTATES, LIMITED. INTERIM DIVIDEND.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an INTERIM DIVIDEND for year ending 29th February, 1932, of three per cent, that is \$3 per share, will be paid to all shares in this Company on the 29th January, 1932, at the Company's Office at China Buildings, 5th floor.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 26th to the 30th January, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, HENRY LOWCOCK,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1932.

### THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, 16th February 1932, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1931.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, 28th January to TUESDAY, 16th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, L. S. GREENHILL,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 19th January, 1932.

### NOTICE.

Miss Tora Inokuchi and Han Inokuchi have returned to the Colony and resumed practice as Midwife and Masseuse at No. 7, Ashley Road, Kowloon. Tel. 57751.

### Afternoon.

Sunday School at Taikoo 2.45 p.m.

### Evening.

Public Worship 6 p.m.  
Social Hour after evening service. Community Singing conducted by Dr. L. T. Ridge.

The preacher at all the services will be the Rev. E. C. H. Tribbeck.

### UNION CHURCH. (Kowloon).

Kowloon Union Church, Pastor, Rev. E. L. Allen, M.A., Ph.D. Services for to-morrow, Sunday, January 24:

Sunday School, 10 a.m.

Morning Worship, 11 a.m.

Anthem by Choir, "O Taste and See."

Evening Worship, 6 p.m.

Preacher at both Services, Dr. Allen.

Subject at Morning Service, "Francis of Assisi or the Following of Jesus in Poverty."

### Mr. Gandhi in the Cotton-shire.

Welcome to Kaye Don.

### Drama in the City.

### Scene showing suspending of Gold standard.

### Scintillating City.

### South Africa calling the British Isles.

### Sicily in Song.

### Oriental & Ornamental.

### Mr. Kaneko designing lacquer work.

### Mr. Barrington Hooper.

### The Thunder of wheels.

### A Railway Symphony.

### Complete Change of Programme Weekly.

## LOOK IN FOR HALF AN HOUR AT THE KING'S THEATRE

### A Special Showing of All-British News Reels.

### Every Saturday & Wednesday

### 11.45 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Continuous Programmes:

### EACH OF HALF AN HOUR'S DURATION.

### Prices:

Dress Circle...50 Cts.

Stalls... ...20 Cts.

*INCLUDING TAX*

### PROGRAMME TO-DAY

### Gaumont Sound Mirror.

### Cought by Camera-Chic Beach Costumes à la Fouquet.

### Whence a City gets its water

### Birmingham Reservoir.

### Defying the Deep-sea Death.

### Special photograph in conjunction with British Admiralty, showing new safety apparatus.

### Tropical Walkies.

### Launching of H. M. S. "Leander."

### Musical Blizzard at Crystal Palace.

### 20 Bands—31 years' Record.

### Called to the Bar!

### Sheep dogs exhibition.

### Mr. Gandhi in the Cotton-shire.

### Welcome to Kaye Don.

### Drama in the City.

### Scene showing suspending of Gold standard.

### Scintillating City.

### South Africa calling the British Isles.



**KNOWN  
EVERWHERE**  
**SMOKED  
Everywhere**  
**OBTAIABLE  
EVERWHERE**

**NEW  
FOOTWEAR  
AT  
GORDON'S**  
Prices from \$18.50 Pair.

**GORDON'S, LTD.**  
22, Queen's Road, Central.  
Footwear Specialists.



**PERMANENT WAVING  
IN TWO HOURS**

**From \$20.**  
"RINGLETTE" or "EMILE"  
By Mr. CLUEDE ST. OUEN  
(Hairstress to the Crown  
Princess of Sweden)

Late "EMILE" London and Paris.

**AT  
LIANG YOUNG**

Phone 20316  
King's Theatre Bldg. D'Aguilar Street.



**REDUCE without DIET**  
USE  
LEICHNER SLIM FIGURE  
BEAUTY BATH "1001."

Add it to a warm Bath.  
SAFE and SURE.

**THE PHARMACY**  
Asia Building. Tel. 20345.

### CINEMA SCREENINGS.

#### NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

Norma Shearer, in a gripping drama of San Francisco's gambling life, is the attraction coming tomorrow to the Queen's Theatre, when "A Free Soul," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's sensational filmation of the Adela Rogers St. Johns novel, will be seen.

Miss Shearer plays another such glamorous role as she gave to the screen in "The Divorcee" and "Strangers May Kiss," but this time in a setting of stark drama—of adventure in the underworld, among gangsters and gamblers, as a contrast to life in the homes of wealthy society lenders and descendants of the millionaire Argonauts.

She plays the role of the daughter of a famous lawyer, immersed in his sophisticated teachings of freedom in life, and torn between two loves—one for a gambler and underworld czar.

Lionel Barrymore returns to acting to portray the lawyer father, one of the most dramatic roles in modern literature. Leading the girl into error, awakening to his mistake, and finally bearing his own sins before a jury to save the happiness of his daughter, he presents a dominant and unforgettable figure.

Leslie Howard and Clark Gable share leading man honour. Howard has seen in "Five and Ten," appearing in the society "sportman" and Gable, who stars in "Dance, Fool, Dance," and "The Secret Six," playing the role of the polished gambler. The comic James Gleason and Lucy Brown also have important roles.

The picture was directed by Clarence Brown, who produced "Anna Christie," "Romance" and "Inspiration."

#### "Five and Ten."

Twenty-two different settings were built by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer architects for "Five and Ten" in which Marion Davies is to be seen at the Queen's Theatre.

Because of the swift and everchanging action in the new film, the unusual number of sets was demanded, some of them requiring more area and materials than sets for many entire productions of recent months. One set, representing the New York home of the newly-rich Harick family, occupied nearly ten thousand square feet of stage space and required more than three hundred incandescent lights, including a huge battery of giant sun arcs.

The library and hall portions of these sets were built to the maximum width that could be covered in the spread of motion picture cameras lenses without losing the identity of the players in the action, the purpose being to dwarf the figures amid a monstrous display of wealth. Several thousand books had to be rented to fill the massive book shelves in the library and a painting ten by eighteen feet of Napoleon secured to hang over the imposing fireplace.

Included in the wide variety of settings that were built for the picture directed by Robert Z. Leonard were a conservatory, modernistic business offices, the roof of a new skyscraper, elevator shafts, a charity bazaar, octagonal ballroom, wedding chapel, storm deck, wharves, stores, bachelors' apartments, dressing rooms and numerous bedrooms and hallways.

These lavish settings were all designed and built under direction of Cedric Gibbons, studio art director. Costumes, too, had to be especially created and executed for the feminine players by Gilbert Adrian, who incorporated in his original designs many novel features.

The new style creations are worn in the picture by Miss Davies, Irene Rich, Mary Duncan, Lee Beranger and Ruth Selwyn, some forty-eight different gowns in all.

Leslie Howard plays opposite Miss Davies. In her new starring vehicle and the supporting cast includes Richard Bennett, Kent Douglass, Arthur Housman, George Irving, Hallie Hobbes, Charles Giblyn and Henry Armetta.

#### "Lasc in the Rio Grande."

"Lasc in the Rio Grande," Universal's straight-shooting, Spanish-flavoured romance of the Mexican border, which will be the next attraction at the Central, with Leo Carrillo, John Mack Brown, Dorothy Burgess and Slim Summerville in its principal roles.

Based upon the Frank Despres poem, "Lasc," the story concerns a dark-skinned scoundrel of the dance-halls, a tenderly murderous half-breed cattle owner who likes his women brutal, and a handsome Texas Ranger in love.

The picture is packed to the brim with hard-riding, bellowing guns, hitting, Spanish melodies, and romantic

scoes, and is a photographic classic, according to reports. There is a thrilling cattle stampede, a rousing gun-fight between the half-breed's none-too-careful sharpshooters and the Rangers, and some of the season's choicer comedy, furnished by Slim Summerfield and Frank Campeau.

Leo Carrillo, suave star of the stage and screen, appears an ideal Jose Santa Cruz, Lasc's half Portuguese, half Indian admirer, and Dorothy Burgess, sensation of "In Old Arizona" and a host of hits, is Lasc. The erstwhile All-American football star and featured player of "Coquette," "Billy the Kid," "Montana Moon" and "Our Dancing Daughters," John Mack Brown, is seen as the strapping Texas Ranger.

Edward Laemmle, well known director of "Cheating Cheaters," "The Drake Case" and a long list of successes, directed "Lasc in the Rio Grande" and is recognized for his expertise in filming the outdoor action pictures.

Tom Reed wrote the screen story; Randall Fife, the adaptation; Carl Laemmle, Jr., Universal production chief, supervised the making of the film with Sam Blachoff as assistant producer.

#### "Hush Money."

"Hush Money," Fox film which is now showing at the King's Theatre, is a mighty fine piece of entertainment. Its central figures are a gang of what might be called high grade racketeers, immaculately clad gentrified who frequent the opera, the exclusive night clubs, the fashionable hotels of Park Avenue, have plenty of money and are apparently without visible means of support.

Owen Moore is the chief racketeer, debonair, suave, seemingly cultured, and thus it is easy for him to induce Joan Bennett, a beautiful girl down on her luck, to accept his patronage. Later, she finds, to her dismay, his true calling and she can do nothing except become one of the gang and pose as the wife of Moore who uses her as a bait to become acquainted with wealthy visitors to New York City.

Eventually, through a slight slip up, the gang is rounded up and sent for intermittent turns up the river. Released from prison she determines to go straight and meets Hardie Albright, with whom she falls in love. They are married, she becomes the mother of a boy but the spectre of the past arises in Moore, released from prison, who attempts to blackmail her. At this point the detective enters again into the scene and he straightens out the problem but at a terrific cost as the story reveals.

John Bennett does fine work as Janet Gordon and reveals a new side of her versatility as an emotional actress. Albeit is a special wood, and fine work is also done by Moore as the blackmailer and Douglas Crograve as the detective. Mynor Loy, C. Henry Gordon, Hughie White, George Raft, and an adorable child actor, Ronald Cosby, Sidney Lanfield's direction is more than satisfactory.

#### "Bad Girl" To-morrow.

A preview of "Bad Girl," due at the King's Theatre to-morrow, shows it as one of the few Hollywood human interest productions in which the good stuff is not played with the fortissimo pedal hard down. There is something so unorthodox in this very ordinary tale of two very ordinary people, that it comes as a refreshing change after the recent welter of extravaganzas, gangster films and romantic farces. There are only three principals in the cast of "Bad Girl," and two of them make their debut in talking pictures in it.

James Dunn proves to be a fresh faced youngster with an engaging smile and a rasping twang, and both Sally Eilers and Mina Combell cannot be alleged to have the cultured English voice that is so sought after these days, but the voices harmonise with the plot and the settings; that is probably one of the reasons why "Bad Girl" stands out as a human story of note and not just an ordinary production.

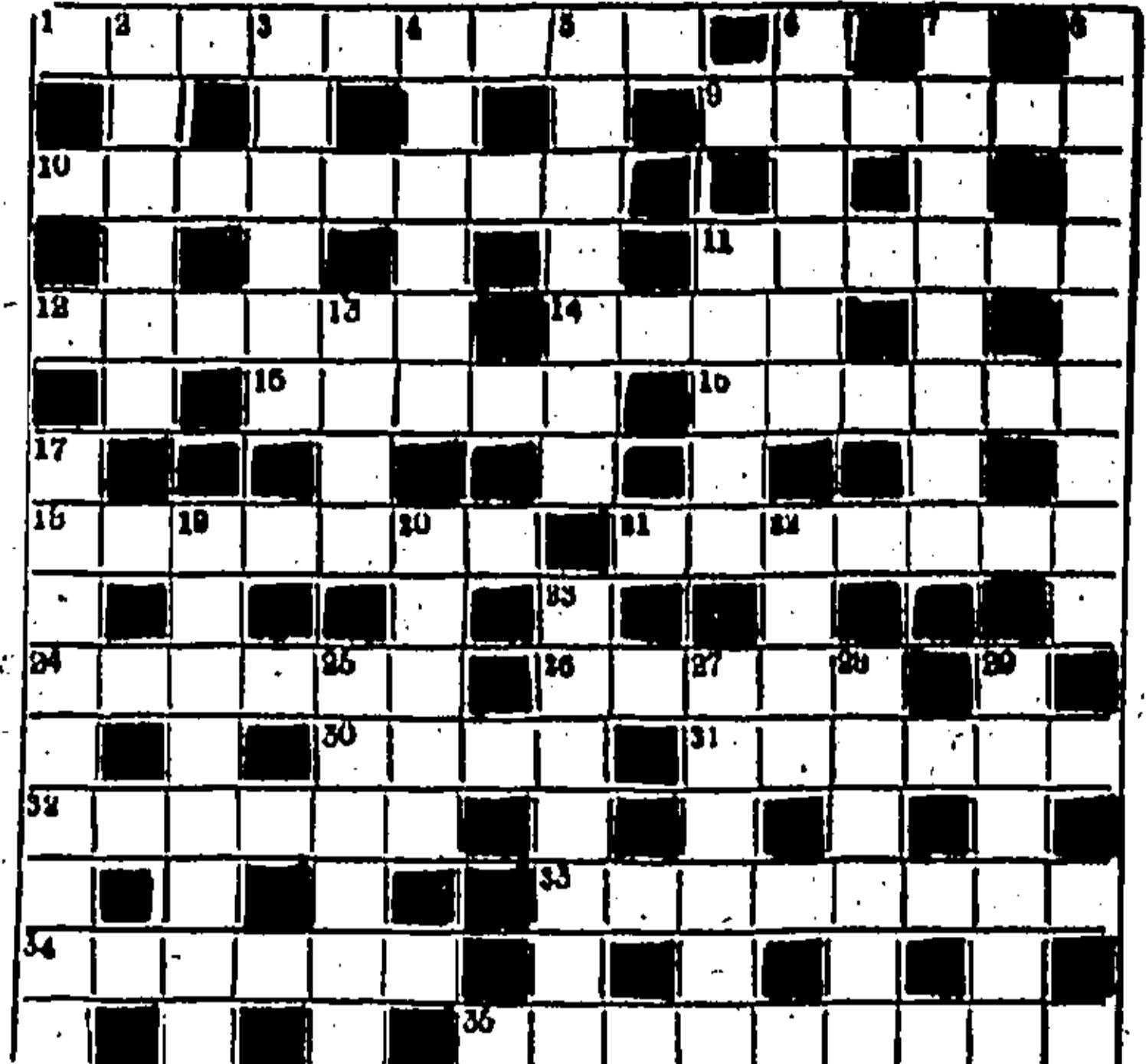
### Comminging To-morrow at the QUEEN'S



### NORMA SHEARER

*In a new screen triumph—*  
**A FREE SOUL**  
with  
LIONEL BARRYMORE,  
LESLIE HOWARD,  
CLARK GABLE  
A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Picture

### OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



T U I I A S V  
T U R N S T I L E S P R E  
L I E E T A S I T E  
S I L V E R E D U N T I D Y  
P R E A D R E F I  
S I G N A T I N F R I N G E  
A E R N E T H E  
G L I M P S E R E V E R I E  
M O R T L A K E I L L S  
T I P P L O C F  
S M I L E S R U E F U L L Y  
E T A C O U V E  
K N O T S T U N S O R I A L  
T E E Y E S



H.A.G. Coffee is decaffeinated and does not affect your heart. You may even enjoy a cup of strong H.A.G. Coffee before going to bed without being afraid of insomnia. H.A.G. Coffee is the favorite beverage of all mental workers.

### H.A.G. COFFEE

is a blend of the choicest Central and South American qualities.

Sole Agents: MEICHERS & CO.

### FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



### The Reception Committee



By Blosser

**Dewar's**

**New Shipment Received**

of the  
**RCA VICTOR RE-16**

Radio-Phonograph Combination.

- TEN  
O P  
u o  
s t  
n d  
t h  
e  
**RE-16**
- 1 Super-efficient RCA Victor Super-Heterodyne circuit.
  - 2 Continuous band-pass variable tone control.
  - 3 Shock-proof rubber mounted chassis.
  - 4 Scientifically impregnated condensers.
  - 5 Noise eliminating power transformer.
  - 6 New RCA Victor automatic volume leveler that corrects fading.
  - 7 Three point shielding (Tubes, chassis and cable).
  - 8 Perfect acoustic synchronization of chassis and cabinet.
  - 9 Over-size electro-dynamic speaker.
  - 10 New RCA Pentode tube with push-pull application.
- Operates on local voltage without power transformer.

**S. MOUTRIE & CO., LTD.**  
Chater Road.

**CADDY BAGS**

LARGE AND VARIED RANGE

FROM  
**\$8.50**  
UPWARDS

IN  
LEATHER  
AND  
**WATER  
PROOF  
CANVAS**

ZIP-FASTENING HOODS  
& POCKETS

**Lane, Crawford, Ltd.**  
SPORTS DEPT.

**BELIEVE IT  
OR NOT —**

In Stockholm, Sweden, a Chevrolet won an arduous cross-country run of 600 miles against 24 competitors.

Only five of the competitors were able to finish within the specified time limit.

**AUTHORISED CHEVROLET  
DEALERS.****THE HONGKONG HOTEL  
GARAGE.**

The Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.  
Incorporated in Hongkong  
Kwun Tong, Happy Valley

**The  
Hongkong Telegraph.**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 1932.

**JAPAN BECOMING  
IMPATIENT.**

It would appear from the grave developments in Shanghai that Japan's patience, in the face of continued anti-Japanese excesses in that city and elsewhere, is becoming exhausted. That is how we interpret the ultimatum which demands, amongst other things, the dissolution of organisations which have been directing the anti-Japanese movement and at the same time inflaming public opinion.

So far there is no indication of the "drastic measures" which the Japanese admiral threatens, except that they will be for the purpose of protecting Japanese rights and interests. But whatever their nature, they amount to an intimation to the Chinese authorities that if the latter are unable to guarantee protection, then Japan herself will be compelled to intervene and assume the task.

Foreign reaction to these developments will, we imagine, be varied. Recalling the troublous day of 1925, it is well to remember that on more than one occasion the Powers were compelled to warn China on somewhat similar lines. It was not then, any more than it is to-day, a mere question of persistence by the Chinese people on patriotic grounds, in an economic boycott. Such tactics can be defended, so long as the rightful interests of the boycotted country are not infringed. Japan's complaint is that the anti-Japanese activity has been in many cases under the direct or indirect guidance and encouragement of the Chinese Government. That cannot be questioned. The case can, indeed, be taken further by showing that not only have Chinese authorities fostered and encouraged the movement, but they have permitted the anti-Japanese organisations to over-ride their own powers and functions. There is the additional point that, once these movements are started, they get completely out of hand and inevitably lead to clashes between Chinese and Japanese, creating a situation in which the lives of perfectly innocent people are placed in jeopardy. There have been many instances in Shanghai in which even Japanese children have been subjected to mob assaults, whilst for many weeks past it has been deemed advisable for marines to escort Japanese children to and from school. The latest incident, a brutal attack on Japanese priests, is a further indication of the forces which are let loose once mob feeling are let loose once

those are aspects of the situation which must be borne in mind, and Japan is quite right in constraining these outrages with the protection accorded to Chinese nationals in Japan. On the other hand, Japan must realize that the feeling of which these incidents are an extreme expression is a direct outcome of her own wrongful policy in Manchuria. It could not be expected that China, or any other self-respecting nation, should remain quiescent in the face of forcible occupation of her territory; and due allowance must be made for genuinely spontaneous patriotic feeling. None the less, there can be no defence of the extreme limits to which a very natural movement has gone.

The original source of all these troubles, of course, is Japan's action in Manchuria. It would be shutting our eyes to the facts to say that Japan has no grievances in that region; she has. But she must certainly have no right to take the law into her own hands, as she has, in breach of her pledged word. Continuing the same line of thought, it must be said that the Chinese people have a perfect right to apply an economic boycott against Japan, especially in view of the lack of other means by which they can express their feelings, but they are not entitled to overstep the bounds and indulge in terrorism and other illegal activities. It is well, in assessing the situation, that we should not confuse the issues. On the general aspects of the position, China has a good case, but she is certainly not improving it by resorting to methods against which Japan is quite right in protesting.

**The Tariff Battle.**

The National Cabinet's solidarity may be shattered against the tariff wall. Differences have exhibited themselves both among the members of the special committee appointed to provide their colleagues with a comprehensive plan and in the Cabinet as a whole. The members sat for nearly five hours on Thursday without achieving agreement in any sense and again yesterday with the same result. Attempts have been made to minimise the seriousness of the battle which is being waged between those who would take the bull by the horns and those who walk only with reluctance in the paths of trade disturbance. It is obvious, however, that the differences are persistent and on issues much more important than mere matters of detail.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has been obliged to decline M. Laval's invitation to Paris owing to the vital nature of the discussions. The Prime Minister would have jumped at the offer had he dared. It was a chance which would not have been allowed to slip had there been the barest possibility of a spirit of compromise in London. Likewise, Sir John Simon, having arranged on Wednesday to leave for Geneva on Saturday, is forced on Thursday, after the Cabinet meeting, to request Lord Cecil to represent Great Britain at the League Council meeting. Clearly the Cabinet is meeting with serious difficulties in finding an agreed policy. The wonder is that the strain of welding the diversified outlooks of the members of the Cabinet into a common policy has not manifested itself more markedly before.

The apparent unanimity upon the remarkable agricultural dumping duties, compliance with some of Mr. Runciman's decrees, have caused surprise in circles who thought themselves well versed in the mentality of the leading members of the Cabinet, who thought they knew exactly how far they were prepared to go and how soon they would call a halt to trade interference. The explanation is probably that these particular members pacified their consciences with the thought that they were approving emergency measures. Free to face with a programme involving a general tariff, they are baulking. But, much as we disapprove of the erection of further trade barriers, a break-up of the Cabinet on this issue would be calamitous to-day. If a fight there must be, let the gauntlet be held until Britain can see her way clearly through the mists of the world crisis.

**DAY BY DAY**

IN PROPORTION AS A MAN SUFFERS THE SMOOTH COURSE OF HIS THOUGHT TO DEPEND ON ANYTHING EXTREMAL, SO COMES HE NEARER TO CHANCE OF MAKING SHIPWRECK.—Morley.

The P. & O. s.s. Corfu from Hongkong arrived at London on the 21st January at 1 p.m.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. J. H. B. Lee to be Assistant Postmaster General.

Commissioned Shipwright H. L. Metters has been appointed to the Hongkong Royal Naval dockyard.

The Colonial Secretary announces that quarantine restrictions have been imposed against arrivals from Pakhoi on account of smallpox.

The Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau is to distribute the prizes of the Government Vernacular Middle School in the school hall on Tuesday, January 26, at 11 a.m.

The next meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club will be a closed one, open only to members and visiting Rotarians. Members will be invited to discuss Club welfare again.

His Excellency the Governor has accepted the resignation by Captain T. A. Martin, of his Commission in the Reserve of Officers of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

The First Speech Day of Hwa Nan College will be held in the Ko Shing Theatre on Saturday, January 30, at 3 p.m. Professor R. K. M. Simpson has kindly consented to distribute the prizes.

It is notified that at the expiration of three months the Liang Kwong Motor Bus Co., Ltd., and the Kwong Hing Co., Ltd., will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register and the companies will be dissolved.

Mrs. S. W. Tao, the wife of the Hon. Mr. Tao, has kindly consented to present the certificates at the Annual Speech Day of the Fairlea School which will be held in the St. Stephen's Girls' College Hall on Tuesday, February 2, at 3 p.m.

Members of the Reel Club enjoyed a successful subscription dance at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant last night, there being a good attendance and a varied programme of dances. In addition the dancers indulged in the Eightsons Reel, Caledonians, a Fairies' Dream and the "Dashing White Sergeant". Mr. T. P. Saunderson was M.C., and the music was supplied by the Restaurant orchestra.

On Monday afternoon at 5.30 Dr. Saur de Waldemar, "Master Magician and Telepathist," whose recent display of his talent at the Peninsula Hotel was greatly enjoyed, will give an entertainment at the Club de Recreo. The price of admission is \$1.00, children being admitted at half-price. This will be the last opportunity of seeing the famous magician at work in the Colony as he is leaving shortly for Manila.

An aged hawker charged with lacking a licence told Mr. Williams at the Central Magistracy this morning when questioned as to the number of years he had been in Hongkong that he could still recollect being present at the landing of the late Sir Henry May when he returned to the Colony as Governor. The defendant's case having been found to be a deserving one, the Magistrate allowed him a grant of three dollars from the Poor Box funds towards the cost of a licence.

**THE PRINCE'S ENGLISH.**

Our language is constantly changing. The study of the King's English As contrasted with the Prince's English Is very illuminating.

By F. G.  
**BLANDFORD.**

**WHICH DO YOU SAY?**

The first of these is the vowel sound in the stressed syllable of office, officer, coffee, cough, trough, salt, gone, lost, cross, off, often, soft, etcetera. In the "Queen's English," which was no idle phrase—for Queen Victoria offered to her subjects one of the best examples of beautiful diction in the type of pronunciation that was the fashion of her time—the principal vowel in all of these words was an exact rhyme with the vowel in the modern pronunciation of law. Nowadays—who can say? Do we make them all rhyme exactly with the vowel in hot? Officer, office, coffee, cough, trough—yes, probably. Salt? Do you say soft or sauté, or neither? Gon or gawn, or something in between? Lost or lawnt? Cross is now supposed to be less "vulgar" of Cockney" than raws.



But is there no alternative between these two extremes? A speaker of 90 or a speaker of 19 might see none. The great majority, however, of cultured English speakers between 40 and extreme old age use neither of these vowels. In their pronunciation of the sentence, "Did he get on or off?" the word off usually contains a vowel different from on, and in "He got awfully cheaply," off certainly has not the same vowel as awfully. There is, therefore, an intermediate vowel between o and aw which can be heard in the pronunciation of this group of words by most middle-aged speakers.

**WE BECOME "QUAINT."**

The child is very definitely the father of the man in matters of speech. After middle age we yield less, and "write to the papers" more, but we do not stem the tide of change. Our own speech becomes definitely "quaint" or old-fashioned, and our grandfathers, and our grand-children us or despise us according to their temperaments or according to ours.

Most people who write, usually indignantly, on matters of pronunciation, ignore altogether the time element in the variations of language. They regard all variations from their own pronunciation as being due to difference of local dialect or of social dialect, and, overlook the fact that in every locality and in every class the speech of the younger generation is steadily establishing itself in place of the pronunciations of their parents.

It is difficult, without having recourse to a system of symbols to represent each sound, to show exactly how these changes are gradually taking place, but there are at least two groups of words in which the old, the new and the transitional pronunciations can be heard by any accurate observer at the present time.

**"FRANCE!"**

In the Queen's English these words were generally pronounced France, daunce, advantage, plaut, command, etc., and now most young people in the South of England and to the great annoyance of the North and of many Americans and others, say Fraunce, daunce, patut, commandment, etc. But listen closely to the middle-aged and cultured speaker. His Fraunce is neither Fraunce or Frahnce. Command has exactly that intermediate vowel between command and command that satisfies the ear of his grandfather and his grandson that he is speaking just like each of them.

When Queen Victoria died the "Queen's English" became automatically the "King's English." The phrase then had less meaning. Now it means as much as the old phrase did, but we who are middle-aged must not overlook the fact that while we speak the King's English ourselves, there is also very clearly a Prince of Wales's English that has every right to our loyal consideration. A comparative study of the two is very illuminating.

The Licensing Board meets on February 3rd, at 8 p.m., when the following applications will be considered:—Ho Sit-yeung, restaurant keeper's adjunct licence; Prince's Cafe; Raku Akiyoshi, hotel keeper's adjunct licence; Fukusumi Hotel; Yee Miyajima, hotel keeper's adjunct licence; Suyabro; Lam Kam-wun, restaurant keeper's adjunct licence; Hennessy Cafe; David Gabriller, restaurant keeper's adjunct licence; David's Cafeteria.



"Look, Doris, that's the new fall shade I was telling you about."



# Hongkong Telegraph.

## Pictorial Supplement

January 23rd. 1932.

**THE St. FRANCIS HOTEL.**  
MODERN LOUNGES & RESTROOMS  
HIGH CLASS CATERING.  
UNDER THE PERSONAL SUPERVISION OF ALPHONSE



The above group was taken at the first annual dinner of the Hongkong Police Reserve Flying Squad. The function, which was a great success, was held at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant. (Photo: Lee Fong).



Group taken at a dinner given by the Tung Kun Chamber of Commerce in honour of the Hon. Mr. Ti N. Chau on his appointment as a member of the Legislative Council. Mr. Chau is seen seated sixth from left. (Photo: Lee Fong).



Shanghae residents had an enjoyable time at the annual Bachelors' Ball, held on New Year's Eve. The event took place at the Canton Club Theatre, where the above group was taken.



The Hongkong Ladies' Hockey Club met the Club de Recreio at Sookunpo last Saturday, the result being a draw. Above are seen the players. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



"Little Mother," by H. C. Goh, which won first prize in the Beginners' Genre (Open) Section at the H. K. University Amateur Photographic Club's Exhibition.



"Kiss Divine," a beautiful study which won for J. N. Unwalla, F.R.S.A., of Bombay, the first prize in the Genre Advanced (Open) Section at the University Exhibition.



"Children's Corner," by Chow Cheng-lam, which won the first prize in the members' Genre Section at the University Exhibition.



A good action picture taken during the Rugby match in which the Services beat the Club last Saturday. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



The ladies' hockey match in progress at Sookunpo on Saturday last. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Another University exhibition picture, entitled "Beach Curves." Entered by Kwok Kung-kun, it won first prize in the Beginners' Landscape Open Section.



This effective study, entitled "Peeping Tom," by P. A. Dragon, won the first prize in the members' Portraiture Section at the University Exhibition.



C. W. Clarke, won first prize at the University Exhibition with this study in the Still Life (Open) Section.

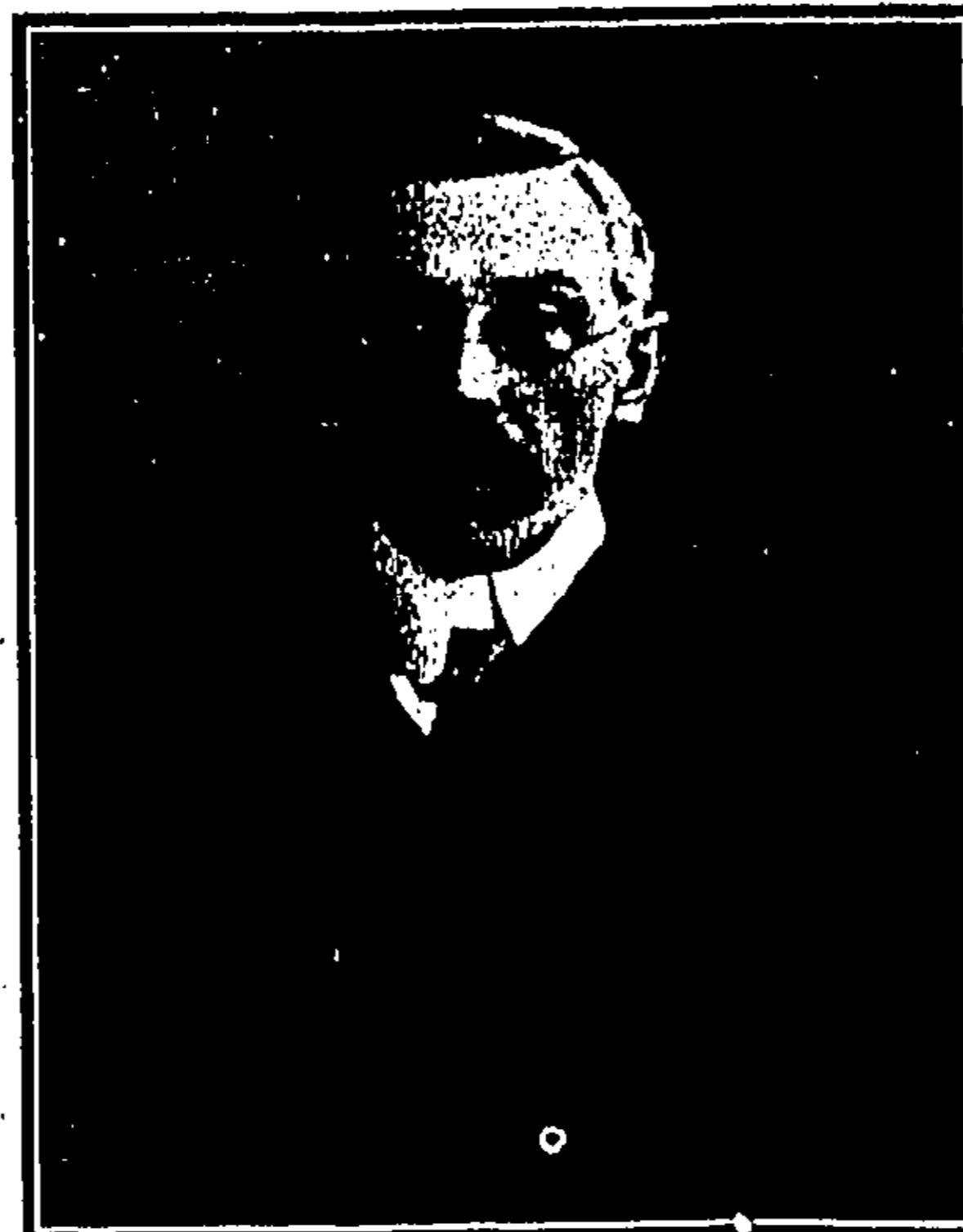


## This Question of Hats . . .

A man likes to buy a hat at Mackintosh's. Not only because he likes Mackintosh's hats, but because he can get what he wants with so little fuss. The unusually big selection of good hats enables him so quickly to find the one he likes—the one which suits him, easy to wear and distinguished to look at.

Priced from \$14.60 each.

**MACKINTOSH'S LTD**  
MEN'S WEAR SPECIALISTS



The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., who has again been nominated by the Justices of the Peace, without opposition, to the Legislative Council. He was first appointed a member in 1903. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



An interesting wedding took place at St. Joseph's Church on Monday, when Miss Jessica Winters became the bride of Flying Officer A. D. Bennett, after which the above bridal group was taken. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



A men's tennis tournament was held at the Civil Service Cricket Club's ground on Sunday, when the above group was taken. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).



Ching Shin-nam, a clever sprinter, who established a record for Kwangtung in the 100 yards race. He is seen with prizes won during the past three years. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



All ready for the start. A snapshot of the Fanling Hounds, taken at last Sunday's meet. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



A happy group of members of the Fanling Hunt, taken at Mrs. Paterson's bungalow last Sunday. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Graduates of the Medical Faculty of the Hongkong University who recently received their degrees. (Photo: A Fong).



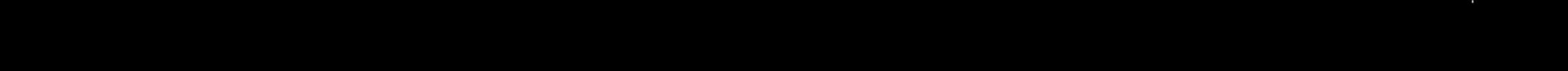
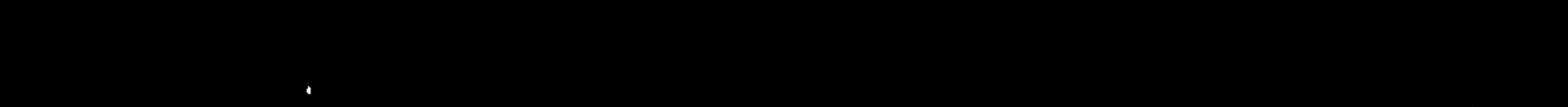
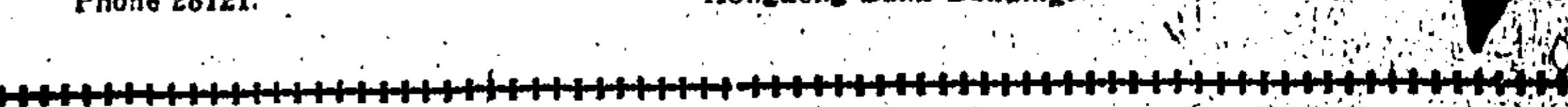
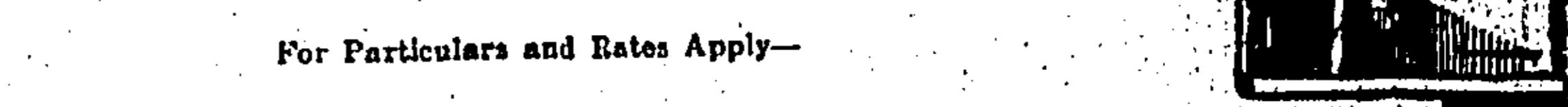
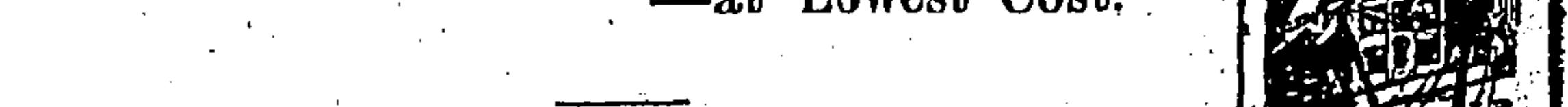
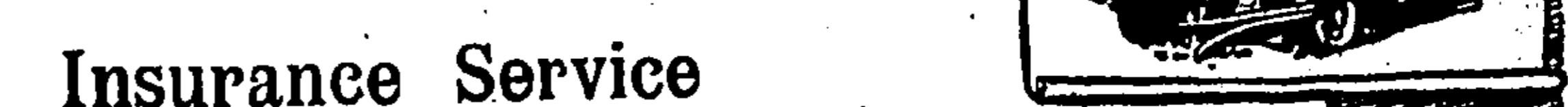
Arts graduates of the Hongkong University. Sir William Hornell, Vice-Chancellor, is seen seated in centre. (Photo: A Fong).



Here are seen Engineering graduates of the University, who recently received their degrees. (Photo: A Fong).

**WHITAWAYS**  
**GREAT**  
**WINTER SALE**  
*Watch Out*  
FOR  
THE BLUE TICKET  
BARGAINS.  
**MONDAY NEXT.**

We Specialize  
in every form of  
**Insurance**

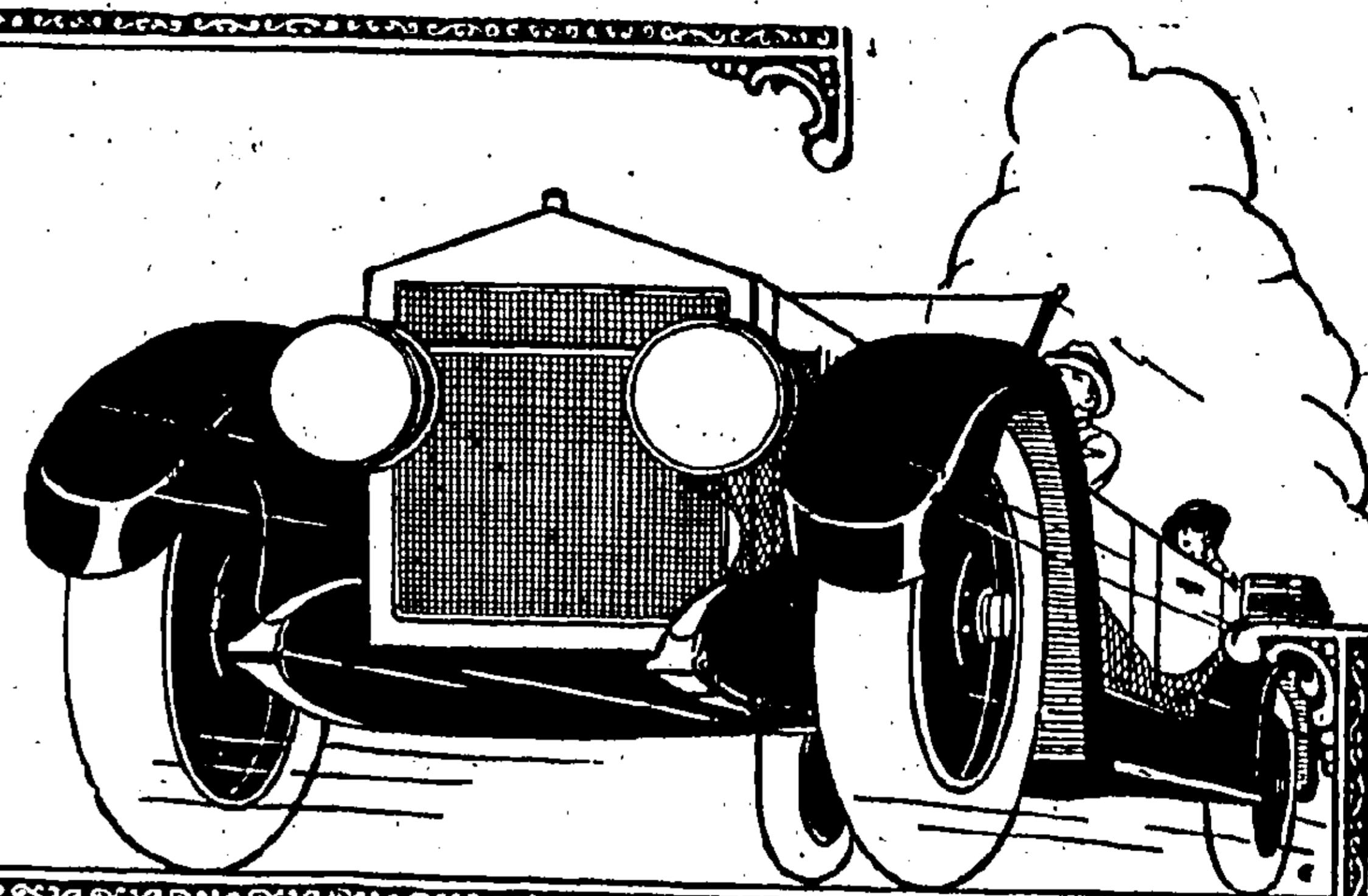
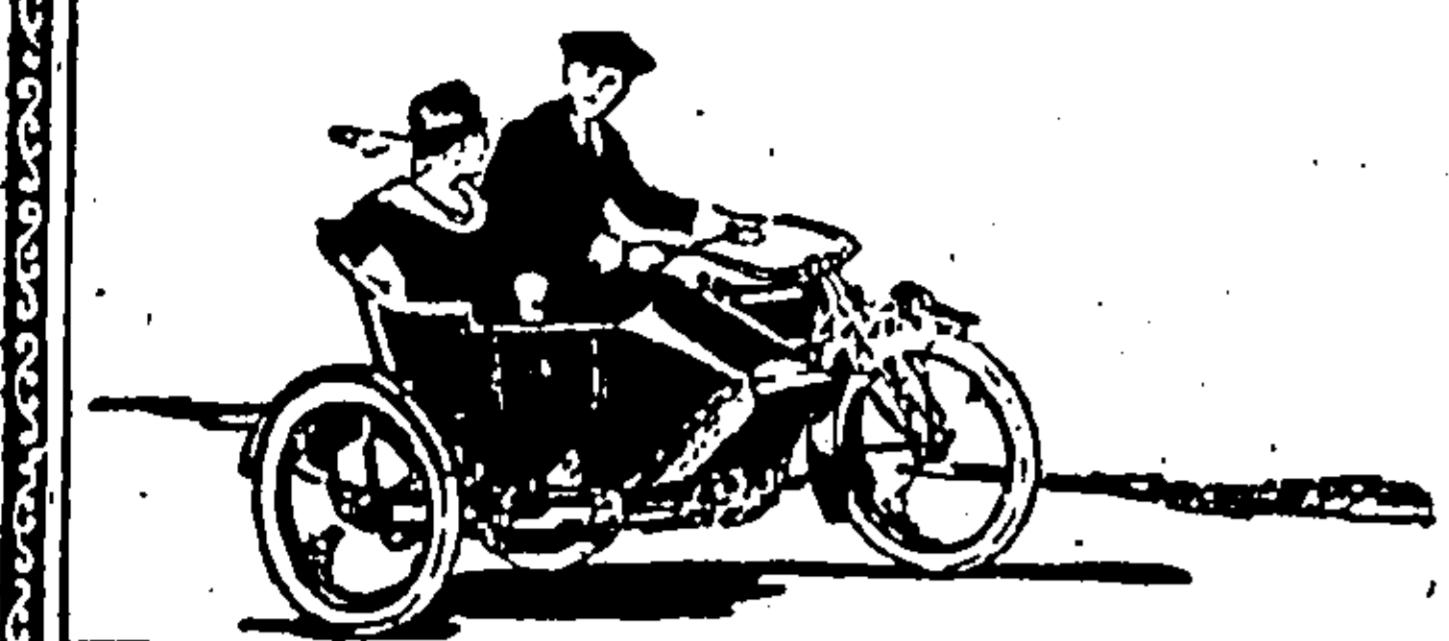


# MOTORING SUPPLEMENT

OF  
THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

SATURDAY 23rd JANUARY, 1932.

*Being The Official Organ of*  
THE HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION



## STORAGE BATTERIES



for maximum Power and Life suitable for all types of motor cars, trucks, radios, can be had either dried or fully charged with acid for immediate use.

Reasonable Prices.

## Hongkong Motor Accessory Co.

Bank of Canton Building, 1st floor, Kowloon Branch—440, Nathan Road.

## FOR ALL CLASSES OF

## MOTOR Insurance

WRITE FOR OUR PROSPECTUS

China Underwriters, Ltd.

HEAD OFFICE  
Hongkong Bank Building,  
4a Des Voeux Road Central.  
Tel. 28121.



THE HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION

A Few Advantages:  
10% Off Motor Car Insurance  
Free Legal Advice.  
Reliable Drivers Supplied  
Free Mechanical Advice  
Reduced Harbour Transport Charges  
Associate Membership of the R. A. C. and A. A. London.

B. D. EVANS  
Hon. Secretary.

C/o "Hongkong Telegraph"

## WHEEL GRIP.

Appreciation Helps to Lessen Risks.

## SOME CONSIDERATIONS.

Three separate and distinct causes of loss of adhesion between tyre and road are nearly always referred to by the use of one and the same word, viz., "skidding." The writer believes that, failing for this reason to appreciate precisely what skidding is, not a few motorists drive in such a manner as to encourage the controllers they seek to avoid on slippery roads.

Let it be said, therefore, that skidding, strictly speaking, implies that a wheel, or wheels, continues to move in its original direction but either locked by braking or rotating at a slower speed than is natural to its rate of progress over the road. For the sake of simplicity we can say that only a locked wheel skids.

### Skids and Sideslips.

When a car slides sideways (usually the rear part only) it is not necessarily skidding; it is sideslipping, a form of loss of wheel adhesion that is encouraged to occur when the wheel skids.

A side-slip is also likely to occur under some conditions. If the third form of loss of adhesion exists, viz., wheel spin, which arises from the sudden engagement of the clutch with a low gear in use on a slippery road, or from the sudden depression of the accelerator when similar road conditions exist, especially, but not only, on a low gear.

Wheel slip is not a source of danger unless the road speed is fairly high; if it occurs when the car is being started from rest no harm or disconcerting circumstance will ensue, apart from the possibility, on a cambered road, of the driving wheels sideslipping towards the gutter.

A skid, however, contains greater possibilities of harm. It brings with it, for instance, greatly reduced braking effect, for a locked wheel skids along a slippery road more readily than a braked wheel rotating at its normal speed in relation to that of the car. Then, too, a skidding wheel is very prone to sideslip.

Applying these fundamental facts to practical driving, the following hints may be given:

### Be Gentle.

Do not try to accelerate rapidly, or drive so that it may be necessary to use the brakes violently on a slippery road, particularly on the side of a cambered road.

Engage the clutch as gently as possible when starting from rest where a sideslip might cause the car to hit something.

Try to avoid accelerating or braking forcibly on a slippery corner.

If the car commences to sideslip merely because a curve of the road is being taken too fast, or another vehicle being overtaken on a slippery cambered road, do not apply the brakes.

Do not even release the accelerator violently on a really slippery road at a corner or elsewhere, for this gives rise to an engine-braking effect that may cause the rear wheel first to skid and then to sideslip.

Keep four-wheel brakes, especially the units of the pairs, back and front, uniformly adjusted. If one back wheel is locked and skids, road adhesion is halved.

Do not avert with the steering on a slippery road; anticipate the need for changes of direction whenever possible, in order to negotiate an obstruction in a long and gradual sweep.

Above all, drive slowly and cautiously where the road surface is or may be treacherous, and bear in mind, for one thing, that oil drippings at bus stopping places and elsewhere are a potential cause of skidding, wheelspin and sideslip.

M. W. B.

## MOTORING ON THE RAILS.

Pneumatics Which May Revolutionise Rail Travel on Continent.

The chassis was a normal six-cylinder 30 h.p. Hispano-Suiza; the driver was M. Marcel Michelin, one of the members of the great French tyre firm. I had been invited to take a seat by his side; behind us were fourteen passengers on Pullman seats. We were motorising on rails, writes W. F. Bradley to the "Autocar," speeding across country in the neighbourhood of Chartres at more than three miles an hour.

Increase of Comfort and Ease by Use of Tyres.

Comfort is undoubtedly increased by the use of tyres. These experiments were made on a local line completed just before the war, and carrying so little traffic that at one time it was proposed to convert it into a highway. At present only three trains a day run over it, and because of this light traffic no attempt has been made, during the last ten years, to keep the permanent way in good condition. Despite this, the Hispano-Suiza train was, by far the most comfortable I have ever ridden in.

Immense possibilities of increased speed are opened up by this invention. The fastest train in France at the present time is one covering the distance of 95 miles from Paris to St. Quentin in 1 hour 32 minutes, or at practically 62 m.p.h. As I had opportunities of observing, while riding by the side of M. Michelin, the engine could very rapidly be revved up to a speed of 2,000 r.p.m., which was equivalent to 62 m.p.h., and we could hold it at 75 and even 80 m.p.h. This, it should be noted, was over one of the worst permanent ways in France. With a bigger and slower-running engine, carefully selected gear ratios, and an even better body than the aeroplane fuselage in which our passengers were carried, it is possible to foresee, in the immediate future, pneumatic-tyred trains running at 125 miles an hour. In other words, the train will be faster than the aeroplane but not by long trans-continental journeys.

Another interesting feature is the remarkable silence of the pneumatic-tyred train. Briefly, it is the silence of a high-class car running over a perfect road. On the road we should consider this result as quite normal; judged by railway standard it is quite exceptional.

These new trains have to adapt themselves to existing rails. But

there is no reason why there should not be the same development towards balloon tyres as in car history. Permanent ways could be laid with much wider rails, allowing the use of wide-section tyres, giving still greater comfort and allowing of heavier loads.

Braking Ease Another Good Feature.

Another good feature is the ease of braking. With the normal servo-operated Hispano-Suiza four-wheel brakes, and a direct hand-brake on the third axle, the train could be brought to a standstill from its maximum speed in about 100 yards. With the pattern of tyre employed, the front tyres tend to dry the rails by suction, leaving a clean, dry brake.

For the present, French railway companies are not interested in a train of the Hispano-Suiza type, and this model has only been built to reveal the possibilities. Further, there is a national regulation which forbids any speed higher than 75 m.p.h.

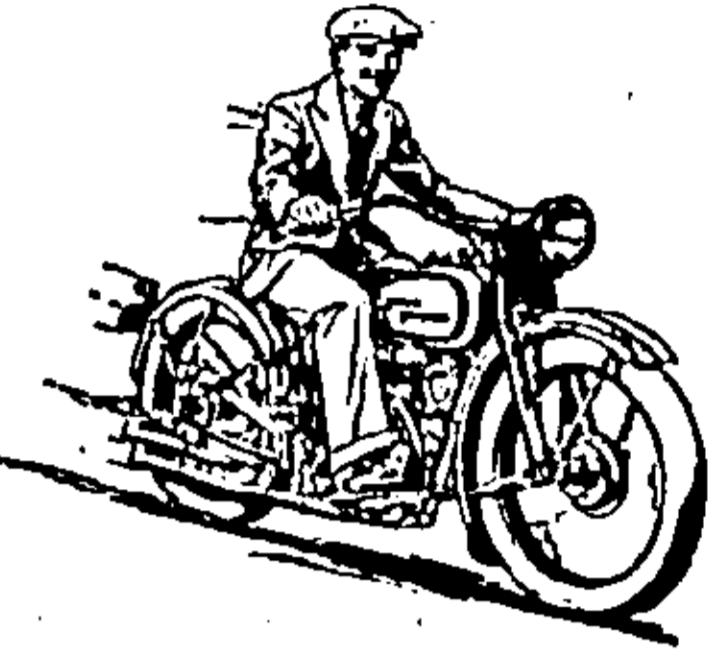
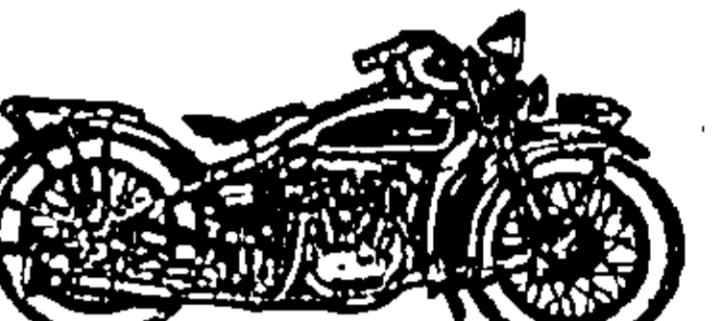
The railway companies, however, are interested in faster and more economical haulage on the local lines, and because of this a 24-passenger car has been built, equipped with a 20 h.p. Panhard and Levassor sleeve-valve engine. This has five axles, all shod with pneumatic tyres on detachable wheels, one of the axles being driven direct and the other by chain. The coach has a dead weight of 4½ tons, and carries a useful load of more than two tons. The petrol consumption is rather less than that of a road vehicle carrying an equivalent load. Maximum speed is 55 miles an hour, and an average speed of 50 miles can easily be maintained. Because of the superior braking, it is quite possible to run these equipped petrol coaches on local lines without signals, and also to stop them not only at stations, but at any wayside places where passengers desire to be set down.

Whereas about thirty years ago the pneumatic tyre revolutionised road travel, it will be interesting to see if it can also revolutionise rail traffic. The possibilities of this new application are undoubtedly immense.

## LESS FOREIGN TRAVL.

Foreign travel of U. S. motorists has fallen off 25 per cent. from last year's, the American automobile Association reports.

## THE 1932 HARLEYS ARE HERE



Arrange for a Demonstration with the Sole Agents.

## THE GASCON MOTOR CO.

2, Kwong Wah Road, Kowloon.



## A NEW CAR?

No! Just the old dear SIMONIZED

It happens so often. Even though dulled and discolored, Simonized Kleener makes cars look new again. Then Simonized gives sturdy, lasting protection which keeps the finish beautiful and makes it last longer. Make your car look like new today by Simonizing.

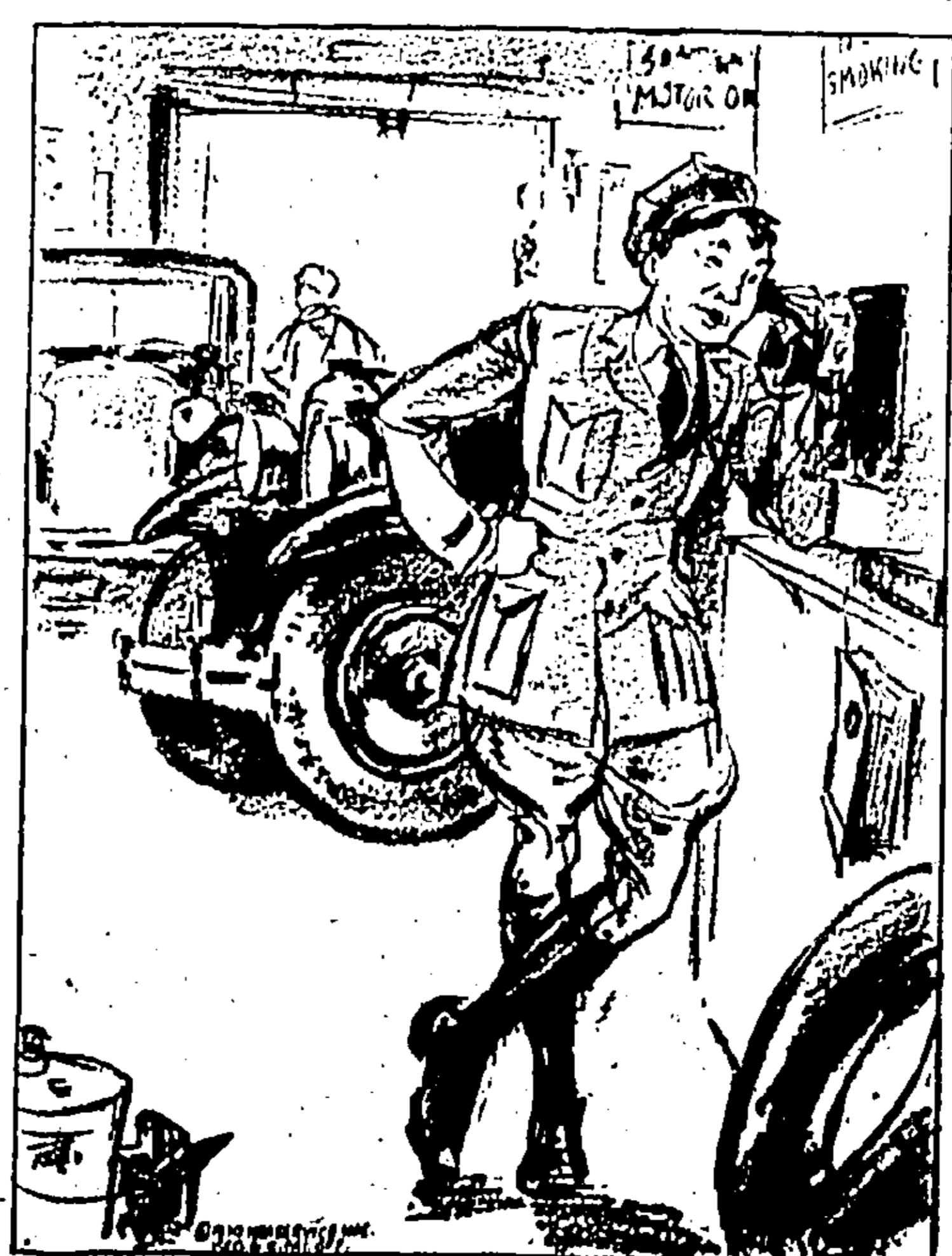
**SIMONIZ**

THE GUARDIAN OF MOTOR CAR BEAUTY  
THE SIMONIZ COMPANY - CHICAGO, U. S. A.  
THE SIMONIZ COMPANY - CHICAGO, U. S. A.

Obtainable from all Dealers—

## HONGKONG MOTOR ACCESSORY CO.

Sole Distributors: Bank of Canton Building.—



## GARDNER ENGINES FOR ALL PURPOSES.

Dodwell & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong (Agents) Shanghai

Our Policy includes—

Expert European advice and assistance, Supervision during erection, Training customers' engineers. Overhauls and Surveys. Maintenance Contracts and General Service. Spares carried.

"Well baby, I talked the boss into buying that roadster we were looking at."

TRUST A THORNYCROFT WITH YOUR TRANSPORT

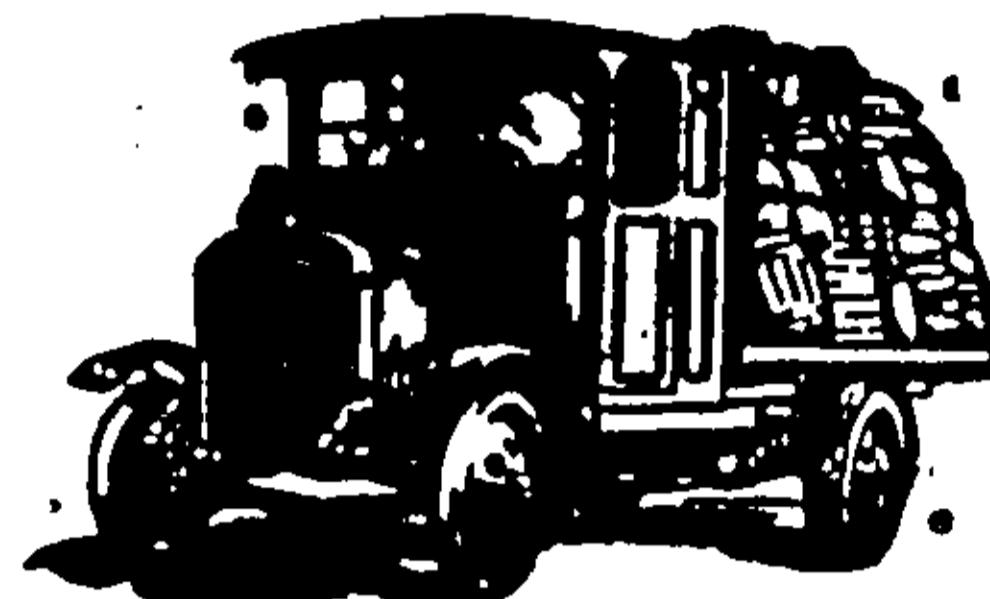
DEAL DIRECT.

# THORNYCROFT

SIX-CYLINDERED

## COACHES & OMNIBUSES MOTOR VEHICLES

Pioneer Manufacturers of Commercial Motor Vehicles



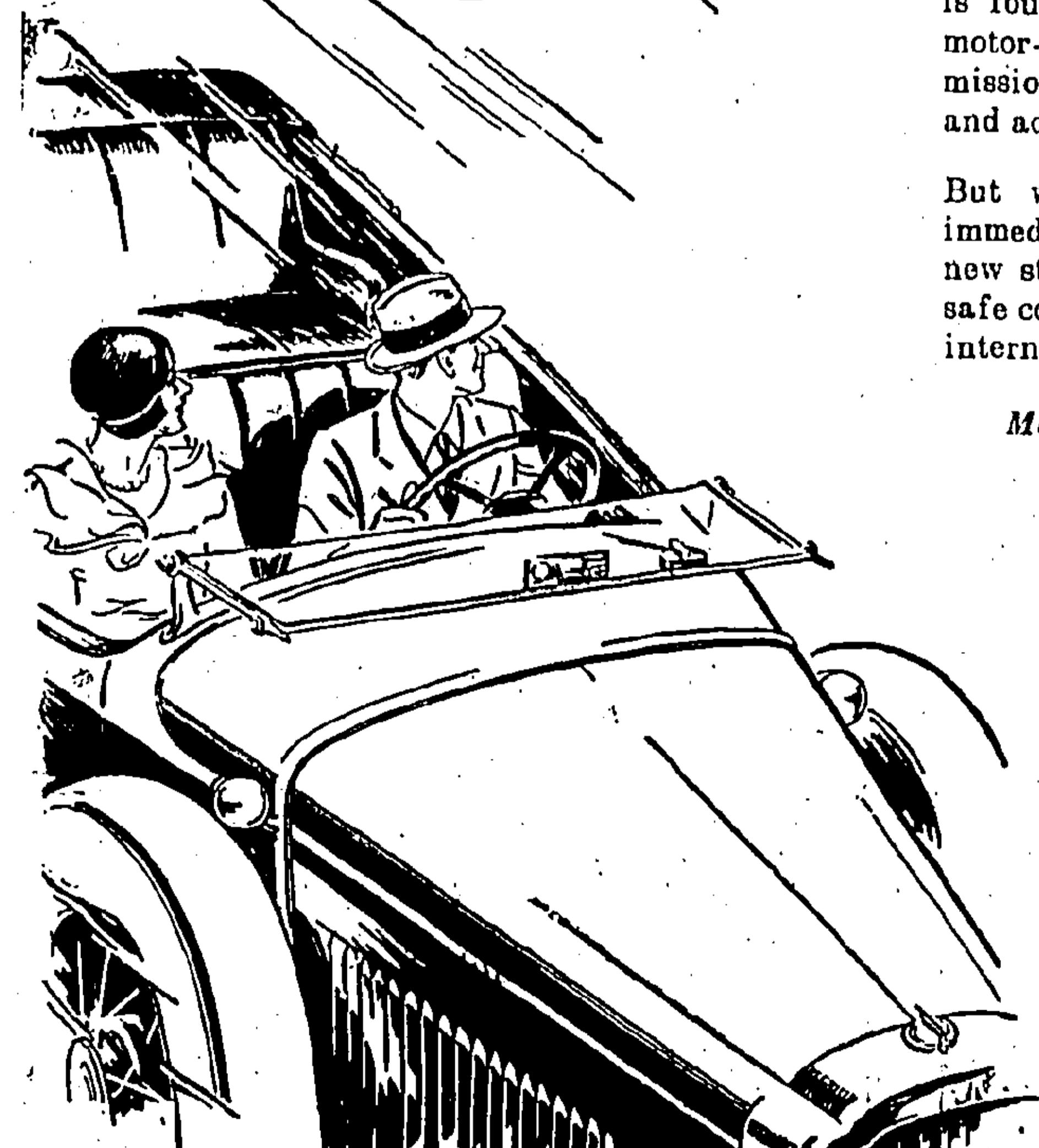
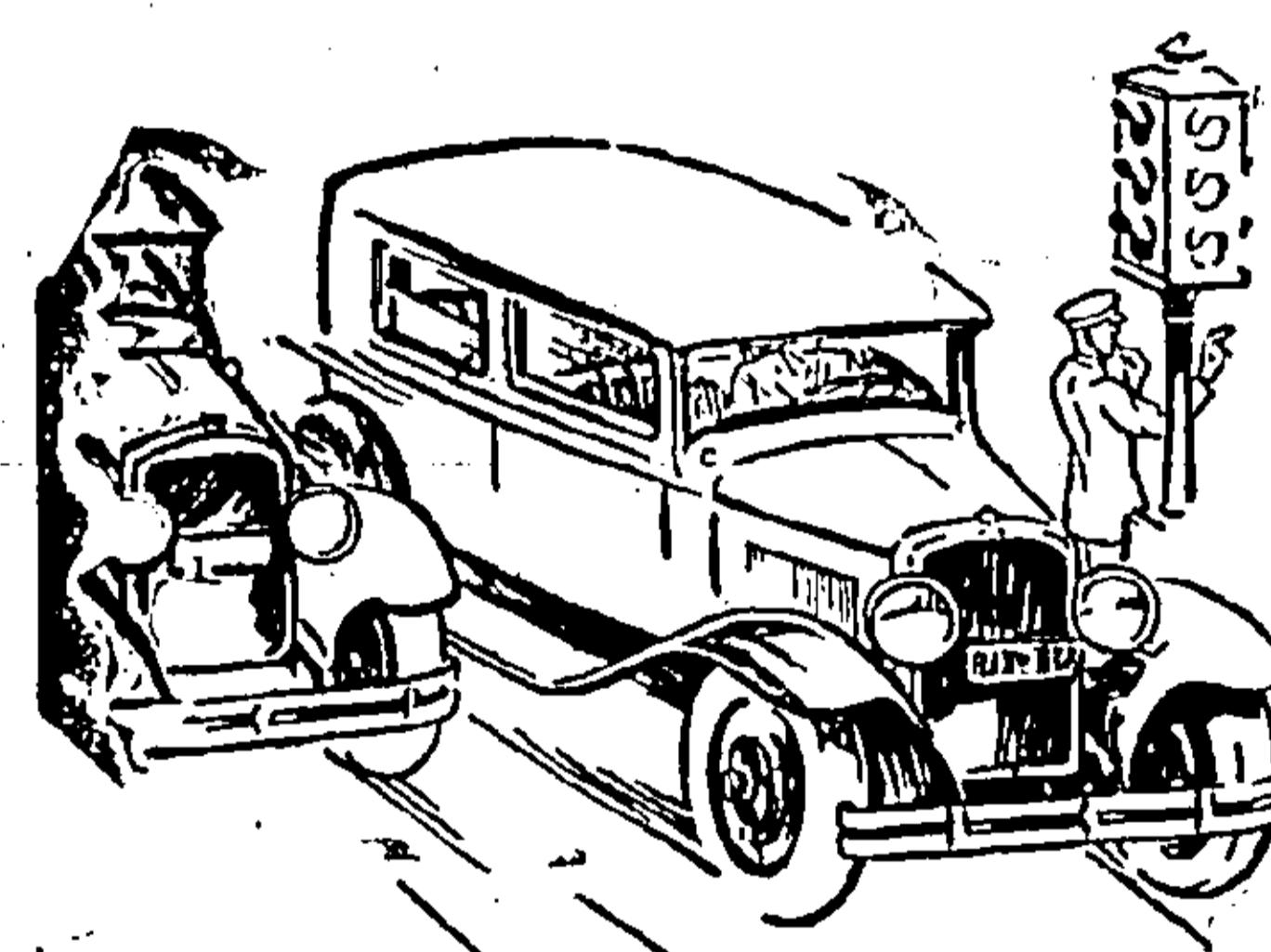
**4 or 6 Wheels**  
**4 or 6 Cylinders**  
**30 Cwt. to 10 Ton Loads**  
**20 to 70 Passengers**

JOHN I. THORNYCROFT & CO., LIMITED

Pioneer Building, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

TEL. 56752.

TRUST A THORNYCROFT WITH YOUR TRANSPORT

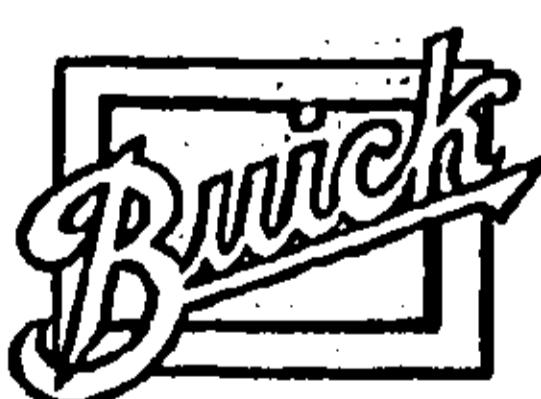


THE DRAGON MOTOR CAR CO., LTD.

TELEPHONE 30228.

BB, WONG NEI CHUNG ROAD.

The New  
**BUICK 8**  
The Eights with Buick's Prestige



The New

**BUICK 8**

The Eights with Buick's Prestige

HAPPY VALLEY

### GEORGE BUYS A CAR.

#### The Story of an Interesting Drive.

GEORGE descended upon me in the club. "I've bought a car," he said.

"Oh, that's very nice, George," I said. "You can take me out to golf on Saturdays now."

"Well, of course I can't drive very well yet," he said.

"No, of course," I said, "but if you want practice I'll come with you on Saturday."

"Sure you don't mind?" said George.

"Not a bit," I said. "I'm not nervous. Anyway we can take it easy so that we do hit anything we won't be completely smashed up."

"No, that's true," said George, without enthusiasm.

"Where do you keep it?" I asked.

"We have a garage beside the house," said George, "but it's rather small, and the pathway is a bit narrow, but we'll get used to it in time."

At two o'clock on Saturday I arrived at "The Acacias" and found George sitting up in an armchair with the instruction book on his knees. At irregular intervals he stamped with his left foot, twanging an imaginary accelerator with his right.

"It's no use," he said at last, "I can't change down."

"You needn't worry about that," I said, "as long as you can change up. Whenever you want to change down you simply stop and begin at the bottom again, and work your way up to the gear you want."

"I hadn't thought of that," said George, brightening up considerably. "Let's have a try. I expect I'll soon master all those doublets."

"That's the spirit, George," I said. "Forward to the fray."

"We have only two inches to spare at either side," remarked George as we arrived at the garage door, "so I have to climb over one of the rear wings and open the door at the driver's side. I can then insert myself through a nine-inch slit."

This he did in excellent time, which indicated that he had been putting in a spot of practice.

"I suppose I ought to flood the carburettor," said George. "All the best people do, but I can't get at it while the car is in the garage."

"You could flood it before you bring the car in," I suggested, but George pooh-poohed the idea, assuring me that the petrol would surely evaporate before morning.

"What's that got to do with it?" I asked.

"Oh, I don't know," said George, "but all the people I know with cars flood the carburettor until petrol trickles on to the ground. After that the engine starts quite easily."

"Pour some oil on to the ground out of your spare can," I suggested, but George who crouching over the steering wheel, surveying dials knowingly. Actually I expect he was wondering what to do next, for he wound up the clock to give him time to decide which pedal would start the works.

Making up his mind recklessly, he jabbed at something with his foot, and a quantity of machinery went into action with loud whirrings and grindings. Apparently deciding that this was insufficient for a really good start, he grabbed at something else with his hand, and immediately a cloud of smoke issued from the exhaust pipe, indicating even to my uninformed eye that things were indeed happening.

"What did you do?" I shrieked to George above the hum of the car. It is noticeable after a race meeting, or a hill climb, how the ordinary motorist tends to copy the racing styles of the competitors, both in starting and stopping; it is admittedly spectacular, but it is most expensive, both for the tyres and the mechanism.

"Oh, I forgot to switch on—very tricky remembering all the things at once; she ticks over well, doesn't she?" roared George.

"Yes," I bellowed. "What about bringing her out now?"

"All right," said George, wiggling his ears and peering into the gloomy depths below the dash. George wiggles his ears in moments of stress, so I wandered down the path to allow him to think out the problem in peace.

After waiting a moment or two, as nothing whatsoever had happened, I strolled up the path again, and had almost reached the garage door when the car leapt backwards at me. I saved myself by sidestepping into the chrysanthemums; with the same alarming all-of-a-suddenness. The car stopped and George looked out with a slightly ruffled air.

"It's all a matter of practice, I can see," he informed me.

"Yes, I can see that," I said. "Do you think you've had sufficient to reach the roadway in safety?"

"I can find reverse easily now," he continued. "There's a little catch arrangement on the gear lever which has to be pulled up, then you push the lever as far away from you as you can towards the ash-tray, and there you are."

"Good," I replied. "Now, in negotiating the gateway, should you be pressed for room, I suggest you take the wooden support on the left in preference to the stone pillar on the right. It will be less destructive and more easily replaced."

"I'll manage it easily," said George, and to prove it he shot straight backwards into the middle of the road, making a perfect exit and completely blocking the road.

"I'm getting the hang of it now," he said when I overtook him. "It's much simpler than it looks."

"Very much, I'm sure," I said, for I had the impression that George had let go the wheel during the launch. I didn't dwell on the point as the traffic block was increasing at an alarming rate and George's attention was already fully occupied.

After screaming along for about half a mile on bottom gear I suggested that we might try another gear, as this one was bound to be getting a bit tired.

"Don't rush me," said George with a strained look. "I've got to get the feel of the car first."

"By all means," I said, "Just take your time."

He suddenly seized the gear lever, however, and kicked at one of the pedals. There was a terrifying noise, and the car exploded. George sat back with a smile of content. "I've changed gear," he said.

"Is that what it was? I thought we had dropped the gearbox," I replied. "Anyway, let's hang on for a while before you do it again."

"We're doing twenty," said George, after another mile or so.

"Twenty what?" I asked. "Miles per hour, of course. The dial beside the clock says so," he replied.

"That's not miles per hour," I said, "that's pounds per square

### BAD DRIVING.

#### "British Drivers Best."

By S. F. Edge.

I OFTEN wonder, when I see motorists starting off from rest as if they were competing in a mile race, whether they realise the extra wear and tear they are thus putting upon their engine and transmission, and the effectiveness with which they are shortening the life of their tyres. Drivers of this type are wont to start at first speed, after violently accelerating their engine, then get in their second and do the same thing, repeating the procedure through the whole range of available gears.

This causes wheel spin and unfair wear on the tyres; considerable clutch slip is often resorted to as well, causing heat and wear in the clutch, and the gears are damaged by being slammed through. Such atrocities upon the car are not confined to the process of starting; the type of driver I have in view generally pulls up in a fairly long slide on his tyres with still more serious wear and tear on them.

The Influence of the Stars.

Of course, the derivation of much of this sort of driving is sheer primitive desire to show off, but I think a little of it arises through watching the starts of races at Brooklands, for instance. It is noticeable after a race meeting, or a hill climb, how the ordinary motorist tends to copy the racing styles of the competitors, both in starting and stopping; it is admittedly spectacular, but it is most expensive, both for the tyres and the mechanism.

In the early days of motoring it was most interesting to watch foreign drivers arrive at an hotel entrance a la Jenatzy, who in the early part of this century was by far the greatest driver in races. It was his sensational custom on arriving at every control in a race to lock his wheels and slide along, his tyres shrieking in agony at the outrage inflicted on them; this wicked style became the fashion with the typical Continental driver, and in this noisy and alarming manner all-of-a-suddenness. The car stopped and George looked out with a slightly ruffled air.

"It's all a matter of practice, I can see," he informed me.

"Yes, I can see that," I said. "Do you think you've had sufficient to reach the roadway in safety?"

"I can find reverse easily now," he continued. "There's a little catch arrangement on the gear lever which has to be pulled up, then you push the lever as far away from you as you can towards the ash-tray, and there you are."

"Good," I replied. "Now, in negotiating the gateway, should you be pressed for room, I suggest you take the wooden support on the left in preference to the stone pillar on the right. It will be less destructive and more easily replaced."

"I'll manage it easily," said George, and to prove it he shot straight backwards into the middle of the road, making a perfect exit and completely blocking the road.

"I'm getting the hang of it now," he said when I overtook him. "It's much simpler than it looks."

"Very much, I'm sure," I said, for I had the impression that George had let go the wheel during the launch. I didn't dwell on the point as the traffic block was increasing at an alarming rate and George's attention was already fully occupied.

After screaming along for about half a mile on bottom gear I suggested that we might try another gear, as this one was bound to be getting a bit tired.

"Don't rush me," said George with a strained look. "I've got to get the feel of the car first."

"By all means," I said, "Just take your time."

He suddenly seized the gear lever, however, and kicked at one of the pedals. There was a terrifying noise, and the car exploded. George sat back with a smile of content. "I've changed gear," he said.

"Is that what it was? I thought we had dropped the gearbox," I replied. "Anyway, let's hang on for a while before you do it again."

"We're doing twenty," said George, after another mile or so.

"Twenty what?" I asked. "Miles per hour, of course. The dial beside the clock says so," he replied.

"That's not miles per hour," I said, "that's pounds per square

power such as the German racing car Jenatzy used, with its big brakes, and coiled spring clutch that was either in or out and could not be slipped.

Cause-and Effect.

It entitles me to speculate as to whether it was the nature and behaviour of those cars that evolved the type of driver, or was it that the driver of that day called for a car of the type he wanted? I am inclined to think that the latter was the real position, for those were brilliant Continental engineers then ready and able to give the crack driver what he wanted.

Our experience in this country developed much more careful driving. For instance, our tyres were more delicate; at less than a fifty miles run at forty miles an hour they were inclined to fail, or even burst; they got so hot at that speed one could hardly handle them without gloves when repairs were started.

So merely on account of tenderness of the tyres the wise ones started quickly and smoothly, and when pulling up, came to a halt, as far as possible, without the brakes in action save for the last few yards.

To those who have not gone through the experiences it is probably difficult to realise adequately how the mechanical troubles of the early days forced designers to evolve gradually the luxurious and trouble-free motorcars of this present time. Why, the last little six-cylinder model that I had did 29,000 miles on its one set of tyres, and they were then good enough to sell it with. A big saloon I have has done 15,000 miles and the tyres look good enough to repeat the performance.

### ECONOMICAL HIGH-SPEED ENGINES

It often makes me smile when people criticise the modern engine on the score that it runs too fast. It is precisely this ability to turn round fast that makes it possible for the light but sturdy small car of to-day to be put on the road in its thousands.

We did not have them in the earlier years, not because we did not want them, but because they could not be built; there was neither the requisite machinery nor the highly developed motors. Truly the present high speed motor is a real marvel, the very possibility of it was scoffed at by leading engineers only a few years ago. However, we now have them, thanks to men like Sir William Morris, who took his courage in both hands and gave us the marvellous Morris at such low costs that it places that perfect road carriage of to-day within the easy reach of many, many thousands who only a very short time ago rarely, if ever, travelled beyond their own immediate locality from one year's end to another.

State Senate of North Carolina is considering a bill which would impose a "luxury tax" on all sales of automobiles.

### Battery Neglect Costs YOU Money

Make your battery last longer and perform better. Pass the responsibility to us, and let our Firestone Standardized Battery Service save you money. It costs you nothing for our Free Tests, and you incur no obligation whatsoever. Come in today and insure your battery performance.



### BATTERIES

THE FIRESTONE BATTERY COMPANY LTD.  
DRAGON MOTOR CAR CO., LTD.  
33, Wong Nai Chung Road, Happy Valley,  
Telephone 30228.

## MOTOR SPIRIT FROM COAL

Experiments in Great Britain with the Hydrogenation Method.

The British motorist of to-day, purchasing his supplies either from the national facilities supplied by the large importing and distributing companies, or from the numerous other enterprises, may not be particularly interested in the fact that this country is seriously considering the *pros et cons* re the substitution—at some future date—of home supplies of motor spirit from home sources. Nevertheless, the subject is encouraging—as it has engaged for some years past—the serious attention of those who can see immense possibilities of the utilisation of our coal resources with regard to the demand for liquid products, i.e., motor spirit and other petroleum requirements. It is well known that to-day this country is dependent upon imported motor spirit supplies to the extent of nearly ninety per cent. of its requirements, and the suggestion has often been put forward that it is imperative that something should be done to develop commercially those vast channels of scientific research which have told us that it is possible that, from our own supplies of coal alone, we can be practically independent of foreign supplies, writes Albert Lidgeott, editor of the *Petroleum Times*. The suggestion is encouraging, though not entirely convincing.

It is said that our dependence in this matter is dangerous. Great Britain, however, next to the U.S.A., is the greatest consumer of petroleum fuels in the world, and—for the time being at least—this country must import practically the whole of its requirements. Those requirements are drawn from many different sources; its custom is almost as important to those who supply the oil as is Great Britain's need of the same, for the reason that the loss of that custom would be a severe economic blow. With a whole lot of countries anxious to sell us oil, the idea that this country might suddenly be deprived of supplies is farfetched.

## In the Event of a Naval Blockade.

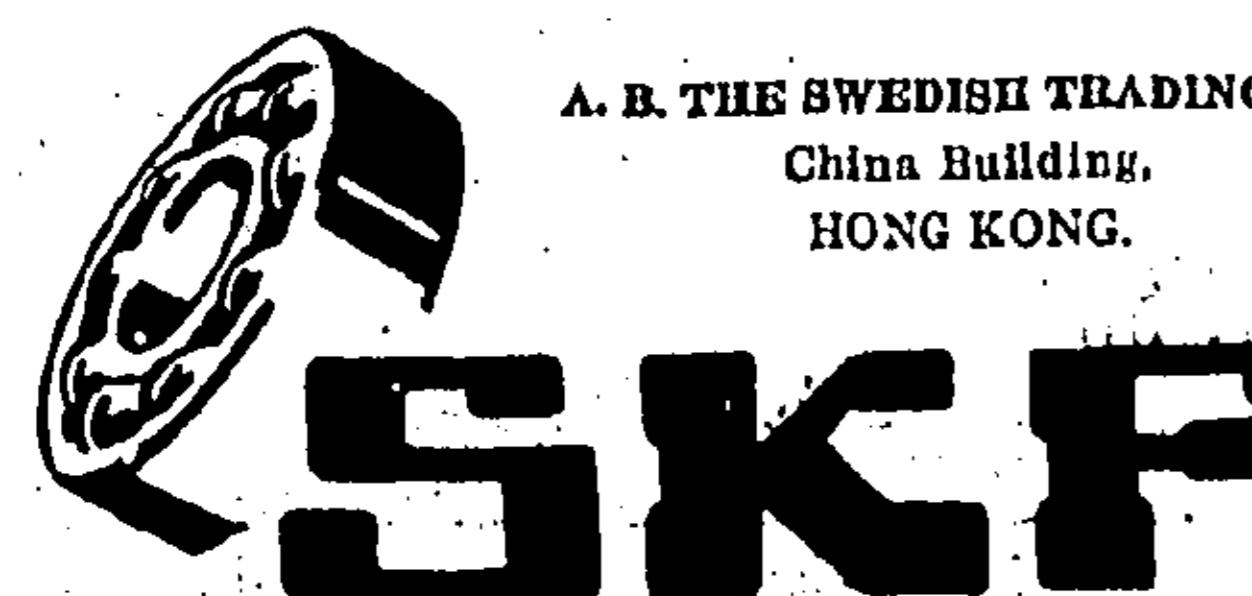
It suggests that we should be at war with about half the world, and if Great Britain is ever effectively blockaded to the extent of not being able to get oil from abroad it must mean also that supplies of food from abroad would also be excluded, and that its people must be starved into surrender in a short time.

The other reason advanced for developing a home oil industry based on coal is that it would greatly relieve the distressed mining industry. It has been pointed out rather frequently by various experts that if all the oil consumed in this country were obtained by the hydrogenation of coal the quantity of coal required would only be of the order of a few million tons per year, and by no means so important as the annual fluctuations in the quantities of our coal exports. Consequently, the benefit to the British coal-mining industry could not be very substantial. On the other hand, if it were decided to obtain the oil required from the low-temperature carbonisation of coal the quantity of coal required for home consumption would certainly be increased, perhaps by twenty-five per cent. But there seems little reason to suppose that this comparatively low oil yielding method providing about twenty not one-half of what they were a

gallons of crude-oil material per few months ago.

144,000 16-page  
Newspapers  
an hour

瑞典洋行



One hundred and ten SKF ball and roller bearings are required to take up the tremendous forces used in this vast output of printed matter. Although more expensive than old fashioned plain bearings, SKF products are now being universally fitted to modern presses of all types. Efficiency again.

A. B. THE SWEDISH TRADING CO.  
China Building,  
HONG KONG.

As a result there is a rise—and a very substantial one—in crude-oil prices, which must, of necessity, bring about an increase in refined oil prices. The ocean oil freight market is also showing signs of levelling itself. And we have the very recent departure from the Gold Standard, which makes motor spirit purchases from the United States dearer. And here comes the direct suggestion that motor-spirit prices in this country must shortly advance; there is no other alternative. To-day motor spirit can be landed at Thames Haven storage for about 3d. per gallon; add to this the 8d. per gallon excise tax, and the commonsense reader can figure for himself about how long this state of things can last. Cost of Production of Coal Petrol.

Granted only a few special coals are readily suitable for use by the hydrogenation method, there would be no difficulty in obtaining these in sufficient quantities. In considering therefore whether it is worth while to make large sacrifices to establish a home oil industry on a very large scale the time element must not be ignored. With every encouragement, and by the most strenuous efforts, such an industry must naturally take many years to establish. Moreover, the capital requirements would be on a colossal scale, and it is difficult to see how these could be provided, except gradually over a very considerable period of years. Incidentally, the fact that Great Britain spends something like £40,000,000 annually to provide herself with oil fuels imported from overseas is an impressive one, but it is relatively insignificant when compared with the huge sums expended for imported food-stuffs, much of which could also be produced in Great Britain if it were economically worth while.

## Large Industry for Home Oil Production.

The whole question of whether we are to establish a large industry of home oil production from British coal, or rely, as we have hitherto done, on imported motor fuels, boils down to the question as to whether it is worth while to make the necessary sacrifices to render the country independent of overseas oil, and, if so, whether the nation is prepared to pay the price.

Here let us look at a few facts as they appeal to the motoring fraternity. With the excise tax of 8d. per gallon, the motorist is able to purchase the highest possible value spirit—that is, the best grade of the whole of the combine companies—for 1s. 4½d. per gallon is bulk at the pumps. Other brands are some pence per gallon lower, and many of these are really good motor fuel. Admittedly, the price is fictitiously low; that is why the Chancellor of the Exchequer has dropped another 2d. per gallon on the fuel. But the whole position as it exists at present is very temporary. The major portion of our spirit requirements comes from the United States, and there, not only are prices very low, but ocean transport facilities are on a scale the lowness of which has never before been experienced. Indeed, fleets of tankers are to-day laid up, the owners finding it is better to charter tankers for their purposes and pay the laying-up charges. Incidentally, the other day a tanker was chartered from Constanta to U.K. at a price of 6s. 9d. per ton; normal prices would have been more than double. Such is the state of the ocean transport market. But there are other factors which to-day count.

The world knows that crude oil has been overproduced recently, and hence the price of refined products has been insufficient to pay operating costs. The consumer in the United Kingdom has benefited from this abnormal state. But American operators have learned the story of the evil of unnecessary production; the result is that output is declining and many fields are producing less than half of what they were a

year ago. In these circumstances the British nation can only be supplied with home-produced oil if it is prepared to pay a substantially higher price than that at which it can purchase imported petrol. The development of a home oil industry depends upon how far the nation is willing to pay for the independence of its oil supplies from other countries.

Discussed by the British Association.

The chemistry section of the British Association discussed the subject at a recent date. At the meeting some very definite opinions were expressed by well-known scientists. Sir John Cadman has come to the conclusion that while oil for a long time to come would be largely produced in desert regions (the naturally referred to Persia, Iraq, etc.), the effort to make Britain self-supporting in the production of oil would, he believes, be to cut our own throats.

The director of the Imperial College of Science—Mr. H. T. Tizard—was no less definite in his conclusions, for he stated that the real question was not whether coal could be converted into oil, but whether it would be economic to do so. A comparison and analysis of the relevant figures led him to the conclusion that it was just barely possible to make oil by coal hydrocarbonation, but that it was very unlikely to be an economic advantage. Any other estimate he regarded with the greatest scepticism, and though by hydrocarbonation of coal this country could not only potentially but actually produce motor spirit at a price which experience had shown to be by no means prohibitive to the road transport industry, there was no possibility, so far as he could see, of producing it in competition with natural oil.

There is, however, another side to the question, and that is the one put forward by the enthusiasts of coal hydrocarbonation for the production of motor spirit in this country. This mass of opinion favours the encouragement of research, even to the extent of substantial State subsidies for the erection of commercial plants. This work might reasonably be expected to pave the

## NEW HEAVY OIL MOTOR.

British Invention With Great Future.

## WORK FOR THOUSANDS.

By a Motoring Correspondent. "In five years' time I expect to see private cars using heavy oil fuel in place of petrol," said M. Adolph Saurer, the well-known Swiss motor-car engineer, to me yesterday.

The occasion was a luncheon given by the Armstrong-Saurer Commercial Vehicles, Ltd., at which it was announced that this associated company of the Armstrong Whitworth group were making commercial motor transport vehicles equipped with heavy oil, using compression-ignition engines, which were built at Scotwood, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

No longer, stated the Chairman, Major-General G. P. Dawnay, are Armstrong Whitworth makers of armaments. "To-day we are making ploughshares out of swords; and in road-transport vehicles of the character described we see a chance of enormous development, to the benefit of British-built motors especially in countries such as South Africa."

Lieutenant-Colonel P. D. Ionides, Chairman of the manufacturing company and Vice-Chairman of the whole of the Armstrong group, said that by the launching of a well-tried heavy oil vehicle such as the Armstrong-Saurer, built at Newcastle-on-Tyne, it was hoped to give work to some thousands of people.

## Safety From Fire.

"We are building a six-cylinder heavy oil engine," he added, "as the power unit of various types of chassis, because of its safety from fire risk and its low-running costs—about two-thirds that of a petrol engine."

Already there are 1,000 vehicles of the Saurer design running in England, and one user of these heavy oil motors has completed nearly 82,000 miles on one vehicle this year without a single day's rest for repairs or overhaul, in transporting fish from Grimsby.

The new Armstrong-Saurer commercial chassis were to be seen at the Commercial Transport Motor Show, which opened at Olympia on November 5.

There was to be a four-wheel 6-ton chassis, a six-wheeler carrying 12 tons, and a four-wheeler four-ton high speed chassis for coaches and fast freight work.

Running normally from 1,600 to 2,000 revolutions a minute, this new heavy oil Armstrong-Saurer motor can speed up, it is stated, to 3,500 revolutions a minute, silently and with freedom from vibration or noise. The engine is fitted with electrically-heated plugs so that it can be started from cold within 20 seconds.—Ex.

## THE RIGHT WAY.

## Metal Tyre Cover Problems.

With metal tyre covers becoming more and more popular every day, it is high time that motorists learn the correct way to put them on and off the spare tyre. Properly approached, it is a very simple operation says "Service Sam" (Studebaker). On the other hand, if you go about it blindly, it is apt to prove rather a touchy job. Here is the easy way to put them on: Hook the front end over the tyre. Now the problem is to get the back end of the cover in place and that's where most people get into trouble. If you will observe carefully, however, you will find a small hook on the back side of the cover. By pulling on this hook, you spring the cover sufficiently to allow it to slip over the tyre easily. The hook should be clasped firmly and pulled with a quick jerk upward and outward in the line with which the hand hook it set.

Now, it is necessary only to give the cover a push with the hand and it is right in place. You will find that it is much easier to install the metal tyre cover if the wheel is dismounted. To remove the cover, simply reverse this process.

To avoid any possibility of marring the surface of the cover, it is a good plan to give it some protection from the clamp of the spare tyre mounting fixture. A piece of heavy adhesive tape for each clamp is supplied with these covers. This should be adhered to the under side of the clamps.

way for wholesale development, and at the same time it is reasonable to assume it might reveal many economies in the operation of the process.

But, for many years to come it is obvious the British motorist will have practically no alternative to the consumption of motor spirit produced overseas, much as he might from a patriotic standpoint prefer to use the products of coal hydrocarbonation and to be independent of supplies from abroad.

## Motoring's Most Thrilling Sensation-- free wheeling.

WHEN you drive a Studebaker Eight, you experience motoring's most thrilling sensation—Free Wheeling. You glide silently ahead two miles in every ten feet of engine effort. You enjoy new economy, too, for Free Wheeling—pioneered and perfected by Studebaker—saves you 15% to 20% on petrol and oil. It is Free Wheeling in finest form, yet in Studebaker's three great Eights you may own it at modest cost. Treat yourself to the luxury of a Free Wheeling ride. Come as our guest, today.

All new series Studebakers have Free Wheeling with one gear change lever—engineered an integral part of the chassis.



## THE HONG KONG HOTEL GARAGE

STUBBS ROAD.

The Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.  
(Incorporated in Hongkong)

## STUDEBAKER

**522 FIRT**

## THE NEW 6 CYLINDER

HAS ARRIVED AND IS SELLING AT A REMARKABLY LOW PRICE.

Most brilliant on hills and in acceleration thanks to generous engine power and limited weight.

...Hydraulic brakes

...Silent third

...Speed over 62 miles per hour

...Low slung frame

...New body lines

Each car equipped as follows without extra charge—Wire wheels—two spare wheels and tyres—leather upholstery—safety glass—special lights on mudguards—stoplight, driving mirror and windscreens wiper.

ARRANGE AN EARLY DEMONSTRATION!

AGENTS:

**A. GOEKE & CO.**

For Service: SPADE PART DEPARTMENT:

FIAT GARAGE: CHINA BUILDING.

350, Hennessy Road.

Tel. 24821.

Showroom:

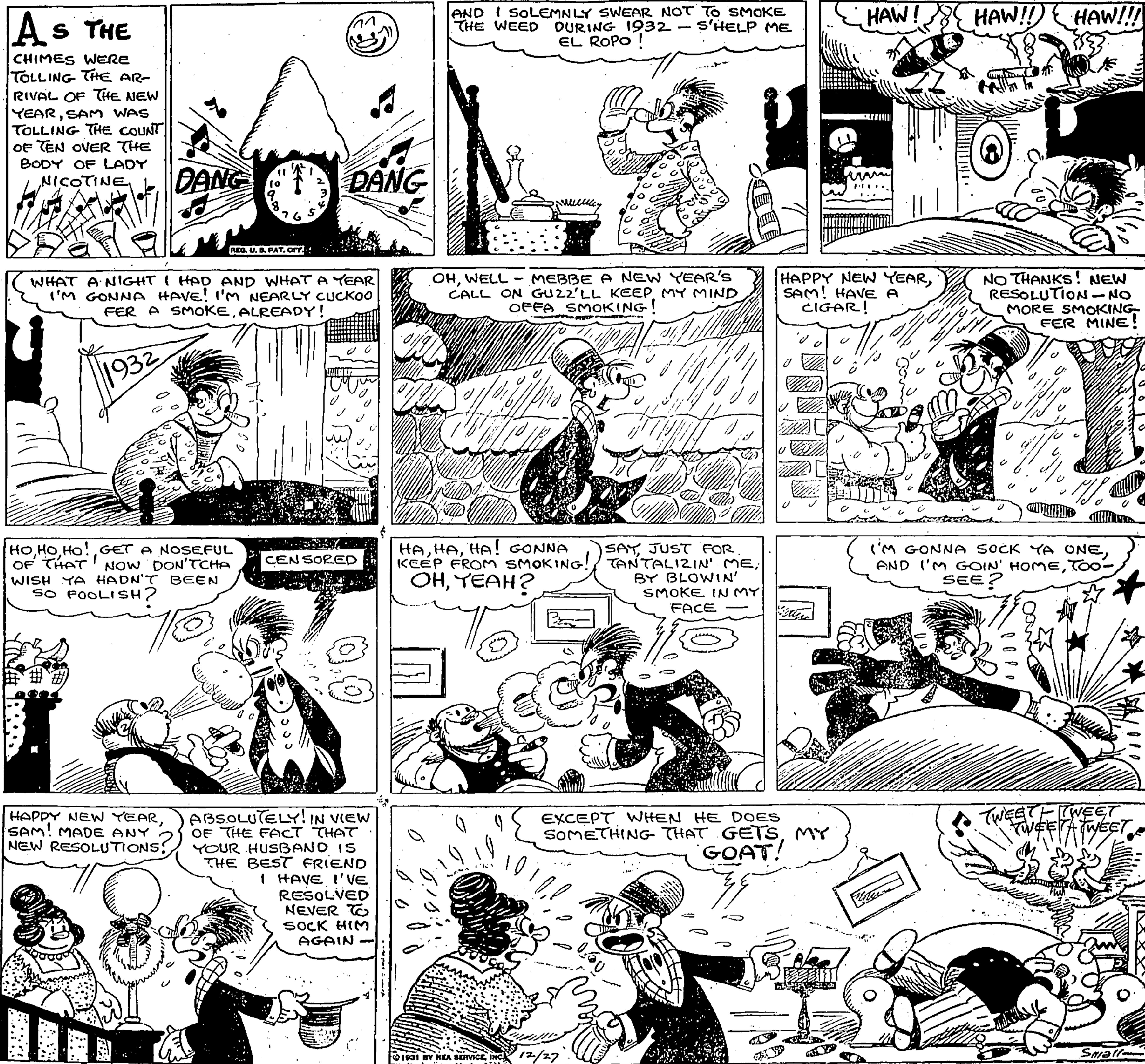
FIAT GARAGE:

350, Hennessy Road.

Tel. 34831.

## SALESMAN SAM

By Small



## WHITEAWAYS STOCKTAKING SALE.

We have received special instructions to reduce our Stock before Stocktaking by at least £5000. Regardless of Cost.

## SPECIAL BARGAINS FOR NEXT WEEK.

300 only Ladies' Ribbed Wool Vests Soft, Light Weight and Warm All Sizes <b>Special Sale</b> <b>Price</b>	500 yards Striped Viyella for Pyjamas Children's Clothes Shirts, etc. <b>Special Sale</b> <b>Price</b>	2000 yards Dress Tweeds. Flannels, Suitings Coatings, Dress Veyellas, Velvets etc., etc. <b>All to be Cleared at</b> <b>Half Price</b>	125 only Ladies' and Children's Tweed and Cloth Coats Woolen Dresses Cardigans and Pullovers <b>all at</b> <b>Half Price</b>	500 pairs of Ladies' and Children's Shoes and Slippers Odd Makes Ranges and Sizes <b>Every Pair a Bargain Must be Cleared</b>	1000 pairs Ladies' Hose Art Silk and Cotton in All Shades and sizes. Odd Makes, and numbers we are discontinuing <b>Must be Cleared</b> <b>\$1.00 &amp; \$1.50 pair.</b>	500 boxes of Ladies' Fancy Handkerchiefs White and Colored Neatly Embroidered and turned lace Nicely put up in fancy boxes <b>To be Cleared at</b> <b>Half Price</b>
\$2.50 each	\$1.95 yard					

WHITEAWAYS. The Store for Bargains. HONG KONG.

**CABINET AGREES TO DISAGREE.****TEN PER CENT. TARIFF.****STRIKING DEPARTURE.**

London, Jan. 22.  
After further discussions lasting two and a half hours, the Cabinet to-night issued the following communiqué. The Cabinet has had before it, the report of its Committee on the balance of trade and after a prolonged discussion, it has been found impossible to reach a unanimous conclusion on the Committee's recommendations.

The Cabinet, however, is deeply impressed with the paramount importance of maintaining national unity in the presence of the grave problems that now confront this country and the whole world. It has accordingly determined that some modification of the usual ministerial practice is required and decided that Ministers finding themselves unable to support conclusions arrived at by a majority of their colleagues on the subject of import duties and cognate matters are to be at liberty to express their views by speech and vote.

## Needs of The Time.

The Cabinet being essentially united on all other matters of policy, believes that by this special provision it is best interpreting the will of the nation and the needs of the time."

Although the decision is not entirely without precedent, it marks a striking departure from usual practice and has created exceptional interest in political circles.

It is understood that the Cabinet Committee which been considering balance of trade questions, comprised representatives of all three political parties, namely, Mr. Walter Runciman, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Sir John Simon, Sir Herbert Samuel, Lord Snowden and Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister.

## Ten Per Cent. General Tariff.

The Times states that the proposal which found most favour in committee was one for the immediate imposition of a ten per cent. general tariff with limited exceptions, accompanied by a proposal for the creation of a committee empowered to make a more detailed examination of imports, and to schedule those which might be subjected to a higher rate of duty in later legislation.

The decision now reached, which will allow Ministers in disagreement with the majority on this issue freedom to express their views in Parliament, indicates the importance attached to maintaining unity in the face of the problems of overwhelming significance now before the world.

## Minor Importance.

Satisfaction is expressed in ministerial circles that the constitution sufficiently pliable to permit of a development whereby co-operation on all main issues can be maintained while allowing this freedom in regard to a particular issue which, for the time being, is regarded as of less importance.—*British Wireless*.

**WUCHOW FIRE BRIGADE.****FIREBOAT PREPARED FOR EMERGENCIES.**

Wuchow, Jan. 21.  
The officials in charge of the Wuchow Fire Brigade are making an effort to bring the department up-to-date, and to improve the efficiency of the Brigade. The members have been undergoing training which includes jumping from the high lookout tower, situated in the middle of the city.

In order that an outbreak of fire may immediately be discovered and all promptly sent, a man is on duty at all times in the fire tower, which is of such a height that the whole city may be under observation.

A hand pump has also been placed on the Saam Kok Tsui side of the Foo River, opposite the city proper.

The Fireboat which plies between Wuchow and Cheung Chau (a small island west of Wuchow), thus giving protection to both communities, has been ordered to keep up steam for the use of the pumps, and the firemen on the boat are required to blow the boat's whistle for a brief period several times during the day and night to show that the boilers are full of steam and that the boat is prepared for an emergency.

In comparison with the old haphazard methods of fire-fighting in China, this attempt to improve the efficiency of the Brigade is a stride in the right direction, and the officials responsible for the advance steps deserve commendation.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

**THE VOLUNTEERS.****CORPS ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.**

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., commanding, Hongkong, Jan. 22. Parades:

(a) Corps Band.—1. The Band will parade at the Club de Recreio Ground on Saturday, January 23rd, at 2 p.m., sharp, to play during the afternoon at the Volunteer Athletic Sports. It is hoped that a full attendance will be reported.

2. A meeting of the Band will be held at Headquarters on Monday, January 25th, at 3 p.m., sharp, when many important matters will be discussed. All members must attend.

(b) Battery.—1. Musketry. The Battery will fire Part II Musketry at Stonecutters on Sunday, 31st January. Rifles, belts, bayonets and bandolliers will be required. Rifles must be drawn before Noon Saturday, 30th January. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier at 9.10 a.m. (Please see after Orders).

2. Tuesday, January 26th, there will be a lecture at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters on Rules of Ranging and Miniature Range by Captain D. Dunlop, R.A. for Battery staff and any other members of the Battery who wish to attend.

(c) Engineer Company.—1. Monday, January 25th, Miniature Range, 5.30 p.m.

2. Thursday, January 28th, D. L. Instruction Wellington Barracks, 5.30 p.m.

3. "Errata" Under list of prizes. Winners for aggregate competition without handicap, sent to all members, for "Cpl. Gilchrist" read "Cpl. Salter."

(d) Corps Signals.—1. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 26th, January for Buzzer Practice.

2. Part II Musketry Practices will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 31st, January. All members must attend. Rifles should be drawn from Store not later than Friday, 29th, January. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier at 9.10 a.m.

(e) Machine Gun Troop.—1. The following will represent the Troop on Sunday, 28th instant in the MG Competition: 1. Cpl. Davy, acting Platoon Sergeant.

2. Gunner, Section Commander Corp. Ferguson, Section Corporal Tpr. Jenkins, Runner 1. Cpl. Wolf.

3. Allison 1. Tpr. Edgar 1. Joseph 1. Gun Nos. 1. Beaumont 1. Bayliss 1.

The train for Fanning leaves Kowloon at 9.15 a.m.

Dress: Forage cap, jacket, bandolier, breeches, blue puttees, boots, spurs.

2. On Thursday, 28th, January the following will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction:

Tprs. Mossop, Evans, Field, McLean, White, Wade, Nigel, Jenkins, Cland and Robertson.

—Section Commanders will make sure that all the men in their section are warned.

(f) Armoured Car Company.—1. Car Section. There will be no parade on Monday, 25th, January. These detailed, will proceed to Fanning on Sunday, 24th, January to fire the Machine Gun Competition.

There will be a parade on Friday, 29th, January for a lecture on Car Mechanism at the P.W.D. Garage at 5.30 p.m.

The Section dinner will take place at Headquarters at 8 p.m. on Saturday, 23rd.

Dress: Officers' mess kit, other ranks, dinner jacket.

2. Motor Cycle Section. Machine Gun Competition.—The Section will rendezvous at the Kowloon Car Park on Sunday, the 24th, instant, at 9 a.m., sharp, and proceed to Dill's Corner by car, as arranged.

Dress:—R. T. C. Caps, Tunics, Breches, Puttees, Boots, Belt, Great-coats.

Monday, 24th, January. Parade at Headquarters for Machine Instruction at 5.30 p.m.

(g) Machine Gun Company.—The Company will parade on Tuesday, 26th, January in full at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for arms drill under Section Commanders. Rifles, Belts, and Bayonets will be required for this parade.

(h) Scottish Company.—1. Machine Gun Competition. Will be fired on Sunday, 24th, instant. Members, who have been selected to take part, will parade at Kowloon Railway Station at 10 a.m. and proceed to Sheung Shui by 10.15 a.m. train.

Dress:—Boots, short puttees and khaki hose-top; Kilt (without sporran), belts, frogs, braces and pouches, garter-buckles. Haversacks will be carried for rations.

2. Parades.—Thursday, 28th, inst. No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon. Dook under 2/Lt. T. P. Saunders. Squad drill with arms. Belts and frogs will be worn.

No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters under 2/Lt. A. W. Brown. Musketry Instruction.

(j) Portuguese Company.—1. Parade as detailed in Company Training Programme.

2. The Peak Range is allotted to the Company on Sunday, January 31st. Firing will commence at 9 a.m., sharp.

Dress:—Optional but either complete mufti or khaki must be worn. Range Officer.—2/Lieut. J. H. Lawrence.

(k) A.A.L.A. Company.—1. The A.C.C. Section will parade at 5.30 p.m. at North Point on Thursday, 28th, instant.

2. The Portuguese Section will parade at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters on Friday, 29th, instant.

Appointment and Promotion.

No. 1601 Gnr. C. W. L. Cole, Battery, appointed Lance Bombardier on 15.1.32.

**KWANTI RACES.****PROMISING OUTLOOK FOR TO-MORROW.**

(By "Ringtail").

The Clerk of the Weather holds out every hope for a very successful steeplechase meeting at Kwanti to-morrow, and there is sure to be a big gathering of cross-country fans, as some good class ponies will be in evidence in most of the events.

A fine selection of seven items will be served up for race-goers and, judging by the programme which I received during the week, the racing should be very interesting, with some excellent finishes assured.

The principal event is the Kempston Cup (first division) which should entice some good ponies to take the field. Lady Peel has a pony which is well thought of and promises to be a difficult candidate to beat. It is, I am told, in a very fit condition.

1st. Race.

St. Moritz

The Bustard

Thunderclap

2nd Race.

Moyanagger

As You Like It

Duke of Milan

3rd Race.

Christmas Belle

Target

Marquis Hall

4th Race.

Hefty

Faulning Star

Fernleaf

5th Race.

Cutex

Mouche

Over There

6th Race.

Tom

Wonderful Star

Britannic Hall

7th Race.

Brown Eyes

Sunning

Heliotrope Leaf

**HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.****ARGENTINE TRADE POSSIBILITIES.****SPECIAL TREATMENT ADVOCATED.**

London, Jan. 22.

A deputation representing the principal financial and commercial interests directly connected with the Argentine was received to-day by Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade.

The deputation suggested that in view of the extensive British interests in the Argentine, special treatment should be accorded to encourage Anglo-Argentine trade, after provision had been made for Imperial requirements.

The Committee expressed the belief that a plan under which the Argentine might continue to find a market in Britain would ensure reciprocal advantages from the Argentine Government.—*British Wireless*.

**SHANGHAI MAYOR'S COUNTER-DEMAND.**

(Continued from Page 1.)

the Japanese Government.

Mr. Wu Tsch-chen, on receipt of the Japanese ultimatum left for Nanking yesterday to interview Mr. Sun Fo and other Nanking leaders regarding the measures to be taken.

**MARINES' DRILLING.**

The unseasiness of the Chinese has been further increased by the military display of Japanese marines in the Eastern District of Shanghai.

The story of the conflict between Japanese marines and the staff of the *Min Kuo Jih Pao* is confirmed. This evening the newspaper was constructing a brick wall in front of its building as a precaution against a Japanese attack.

Nanking Conference.

The National Emergency Conference which will discuss all aspects of the Sino-Japanese trouble, will open in Nanking on February 1. Mr. Wu Tsch-chen has been chosen as Secretary and chief organiser.

*Rushes.***SUGAR MARKET.****THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.**

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

**LONDON TERMINALS.**

March 6/9/31 down 1/4d.  
May 6/11/31 down 1/2d.  
August 7/2 down 1d.  
December 7/5 down 1/2d.

Buyers at above prices sellers asking 1/4d-1/2d more.

**NEW YORK TERMINALS.**

March 1.07 up 2 pts.  
May 1.09 up 1 pt.  
July 1.14 up 1 pt.  
September 1.19 up 1 pt.  
December 1.25 up 2 pts.

Sourabaya (22/1/32).—Trust Mills have refused bids below 61½ per 100 kilos for 50,000 tons.

**EXCHANGE RATES.**

Previous Day. Yesterday.

Paris ..... 87 7/8 87 7/16

Geneva ..... 17 5/8 17 1/2

Berlin ..... 14.65 14.9/16

Oslo ..... 18 1/2 18 1/2

Helsingfors ..... 232 1/2 232 1/2

Athens ..... 207 1/2 267 1/2

Buenos Aires ..... 39 1/2 39 1/2

Shanghai ..... 1/10 1/2 1/10 1/2

New York ..... 3.46 3.44 1/2

Amsterdam ..... 8.60 8.55 1/2

Vienna ..... 30 30

Madrid ..... 31 1/2 41 1/2

Bucharest ..... 57 1/2 57 1/2

Hongkong ..... 1/4 11/16 1/6 1/2

Brussels ..... 24.13/16 24 1/2

There will be a Bridge-Mahjoung  
**TEA DANCE**  
at the  
**HONGKONG HOTEL**  
on  
**Tuesday, March 8th**  
from 3:30 until 6:30 p.m.  
*In aid of the M.C.L. funds.*  
**Details to be announced later.**  
**Please keep this date free.**  
**Tickets \$2 to include tea.**  
*Ivy Peel has kindly consented to be present and to give away the prizes.*

## HERE IT IS! BRUNSWICK RADIO-COMBINATION

Model 33  
Superb Tonal  
Quality Combined  
with the Last  
Word in Radio  
Reception



Let us Demonstrate this to You.  
**THE BRUNSWICK HOUSE,**  
Arcade—Gloucester Bldg.

### SERVICE BILLIARDS NG SZE KWONG CUP COMPETITION.

The Services Billiards Tournament for the Ng Sze Kwong Challenge Cup was continued at the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home last night, when the South Wales Borderers met the Royal Artillery in the first of the Semi-Final Matches and ran out winners by three games to two.

The Borderers' team are hot favourites and it will remain to be seen whether the Medway (last year's winners) who still have to meet the Kent, will retain their right to contest the final.

Last night's match was full of interest, the last game deciding the team to pass on to the final.

Lance Corporal Ellis and Private Walters were on the top of their form both men winning their games by handsome margins.

Ellis made breaks of 37, 26, 18, 18, and 16 and on every visit to the table pushed himself well ahead of his opponent. He is a great asset to his side, and as far as one can judge he seems set to carry his game when he is called to play off in the final.

Jarman had a stiff opponent in Sergt. Wilks. There was little to choose between them and it was the luck of the game that allowed Wilks to run out with a break of 10 when his score stood at 140.

The result of last night's games are as follows:

S. W. BORDERERS.	
C. S. M. Lewis	150
L. Cpl. Ellis	150
Pte. Walters	150
C. S. M. Smith	137
C. Sgt. Jarman	139
Royal Artillery.	
Sergt. Muldewney	111
Sgt. Mr. Monkton	56
M. Gnr. Bailey	99
Bdr. Willis	150
Sgt. Wilks	150

### UNITED SERVICES SOCCER

#### RESULTS OF MATCHES ALREADY PLAYED.

The following are the results of matches played to date in the United Services Shield Competition:

Senior.—First round:  
R.A. 0 Suffolk 3  
Hermes 4 Medway 0  
Junior.—First round:  
Suffolk 2 Wishart 1  
Cornflower 7 Hornid 1  
R.A.S.C. 1 Verity 0  
Cumberland 1 Kent 1  
Tamar 2 Bruce 1  
(After extra time) (After extra time)

### ASPIRANTS FOR HONOURS. TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRIES CLOSE.

#### ANOTHER BIG LIST

It is doubtful whether last year's record entry list in the Open Singles and Doubles tennis championship of Hongkong will be exceeded this year, but the number of competitors should not fall very short of the 1931 figures.

There are still a number of entries to be included in the list which officially closed last night, and which then showed a total of 70 competitors for the open singles, as against a completed list of 80 last year, while the entries for the open doubles so far number 40 as compared with 49 for 1931.

There are a few newcomers to the tournament, while in the singles some of the past competitors do not appear in the first list of entrants. C. A. J. Rumjahn, the holder of the championship, is in Tientsin and will not defend his title. Chief aspirants for the honour are E. C. Fischer, last year's finalist, S. A. Rumjahn, M. W. Lo, T. Honda and H. D. Rumjahn.

An interesting pairing in the Open Doubles is that of E. C. Fischer and L. Goldman. For several years past the Fischer brothers have appeared together in the event, but "Teddy" and L. Goldman are intent on making a bid to wrest the title from the Rumjahn cousins, who have won the trophy for the last six successive years.

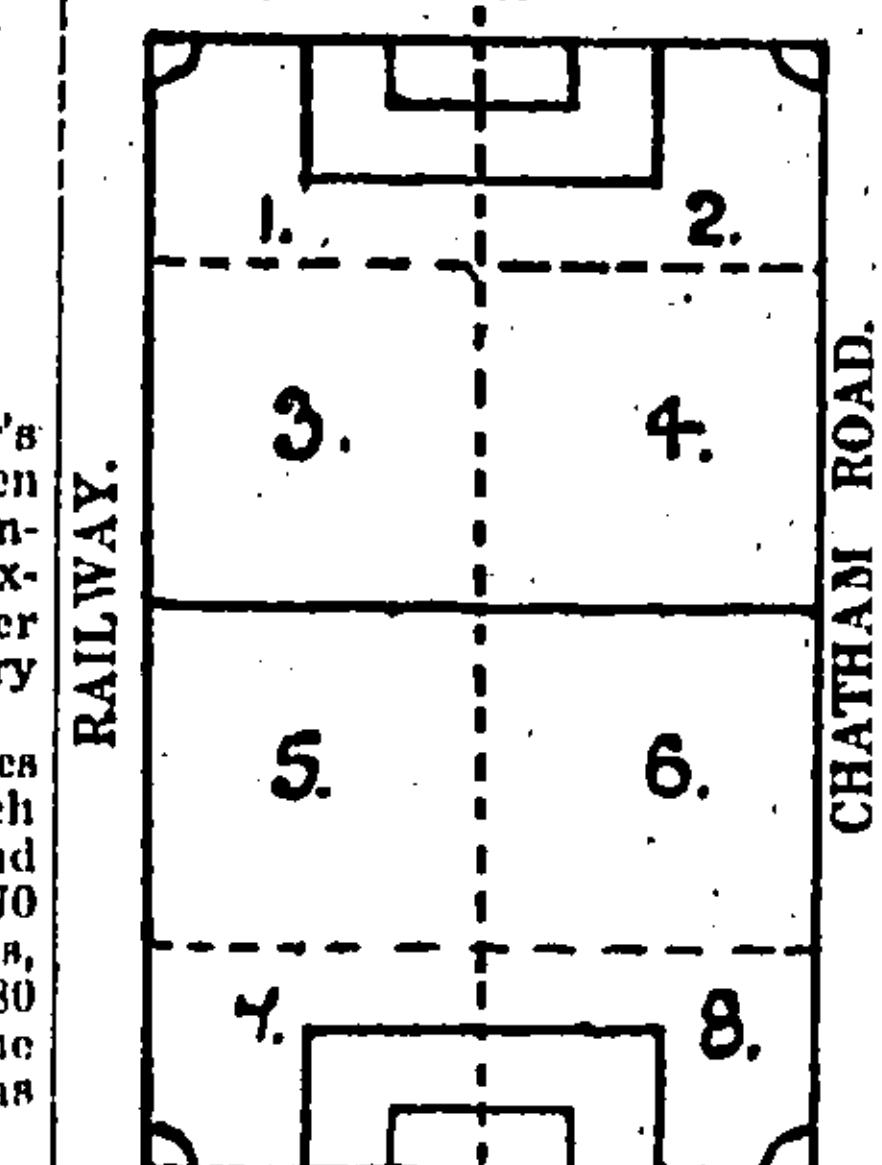
Goldman previously partnered A. L. Sullivan, the Interport player, Sullivan is this year teaming with Dr. L. T. Ride.

So far as is at present known, Goldman is not a competitor in the singles event.

The Club de Recreio will be strongly represented in the Open Doubles Championship, no less than five pairs being entered. J. A. E. Cassumbhay, who for the last two years has appeared together with C. A. L. Rumjahn, will next month be seen in action with J. W. Leonard, the Craignegower player. S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn, have of course, again entered as a pair, and still remain the most formidable combination in Hongkong.

The Club de Recreio will be strongly represented in the Open Doubles Championship, no less than five pairs being entered. J. A. E. Cassumbhay, who for the last two years has appeared together with C. A. L. Rumjahn, will next month be seen in action with J. W. Leonard, the Craignegower player. S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn, have of course, again entered as a pair, and still remain the most formidable combination in Hongkong.

### SOCER BROADCAST.



There will be a broadcast of the football match between the Interport Players and the Royal Navy on the Chatham Road ground this afternoon. The above layout of the ground will assist listeners to follow the commentary.

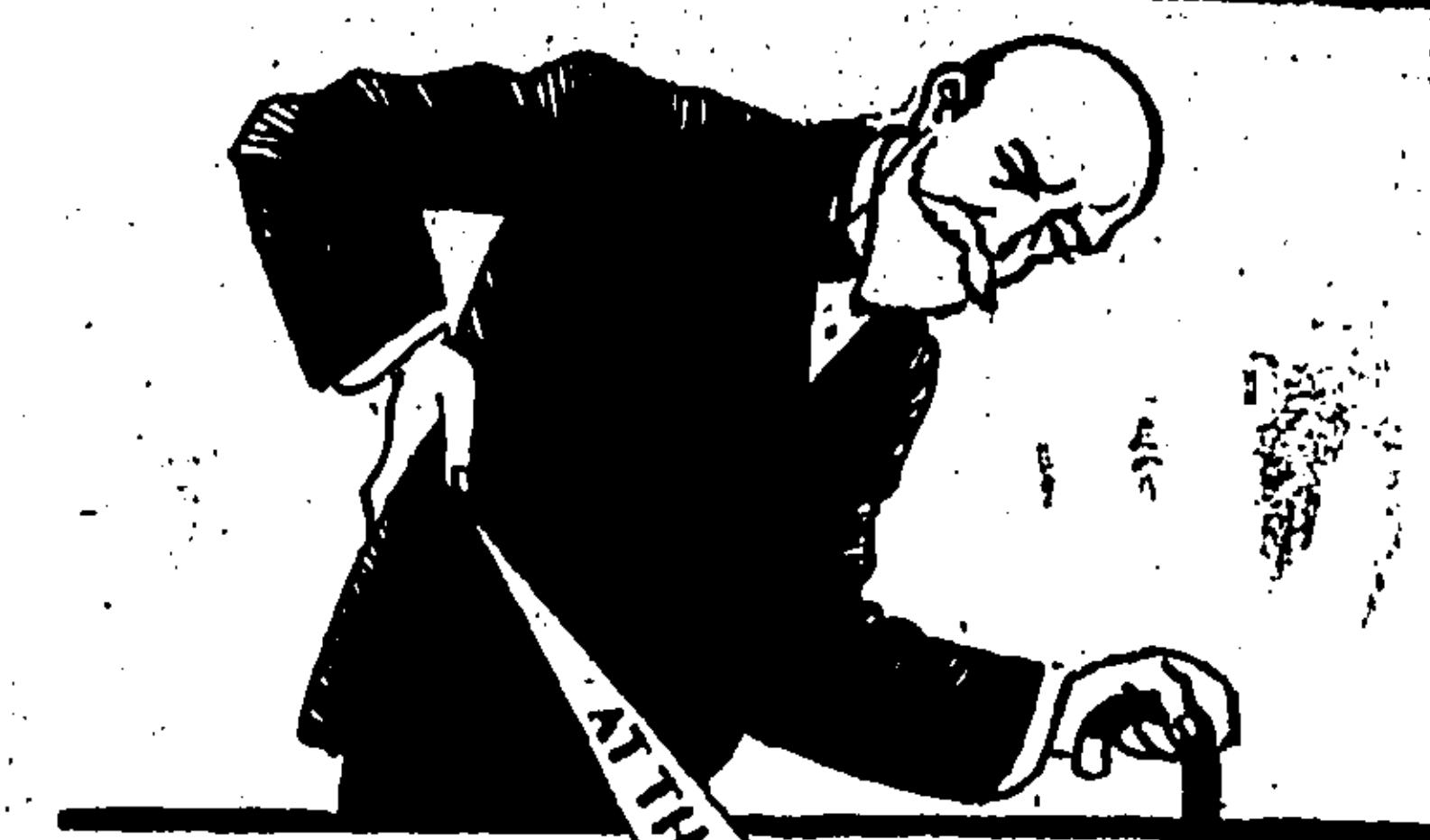
### SIM SHIELD FOR CIVILIANS.

#### NAVY DEFEATED BY ARMY.

The Army yesterday enabled the Hongkong Hockey Club to secure the Sim Shield for the third year in succession by defeating the Royal Navy, thus spoiling all chances of the Club being overtaken. The Army won by the only goal of the match scored by Johnson immediately after the interval.

The match on the whole was not up to the standard of previous games and was rarely of a class associated with Sim Shield hockey. The Army were stronger in defense than in their attack, the forwards spoiling many openings by being off side. Skipper in the centre forward position led his men well and received much assistance from his fellow forwards but Com. Baxter and Com. Bowen was always fairly safe and broke up many dangerous attacks.

Williams on the right wing was always a difficult man to hold and was equally responsible for the only goal which was scored. In the second half, immediately after the bully off. Taking the ball down the



### Relieve Rheumatic Pain!

Those darting, cramping rheumatic pains are quickly relieved by rubbing the point of pain with a small amount of ABSORBINE Jr., the mild but powerfully analgesic liniment.

ABSORBINE Jr. penetrates deeply into the muscles that are taut and twisted with pain. It brings new blood to the part affected, takes out the aches and removes the soreness. Rub it regularly into the muscles, at the point of pain. There should also be an immediate soothing effect as well as quick relief from pain or irritation.

ABSORBINE Jr. does not stain or irritate—it is pleasant to use.

Beware of ringworm of the feet. Its symptoms are redness, skin cracking, scaling, blisters, a thick white crust. Apply Absorbine Jr. to dry scabs. ABSORBINE Jr. kills the deadly ringworm bacteria and relieves the pain and heat of the feet.

**Absorbine Jr.**  
FOR YEARS HAS RELIEVED SORE MUSCLES,  
MUSCULAR ACHEs, BRUISES, BURNS,  
CUTS, SPRAINS, ABRASIONS.



wing he took a shot at goal but Higham, the custodian, deflected the ball to Johnson standing close in who gave the goalie no chance with a high shot.

In the defence, Huxford and Polo for the Army were playing good hockey, the former clearing with safety while Davison on the right half defended brilliantly and kept his forwards well fed. Remington and Bowerman had most of the work to do for the Navy, with Wheeler at centre forward giving able assistance but their shooting was rather wild and many openings went begging.

The teams lined up as follows:

Army—Lieut. Webb; Polo, Capt. Huxford; Davies, Gardner, Skipp, Tyler; Williams, Hopkins, Johnson and Smith.

Navy—Higham; Com. Baxter, Com. Bowen; Lieut. Banks, Lieut. Wilkinson, Lieut. Woods; Lieut. Parkin, Mid. Fletcher, Lieut. Com. Wheeler, Lieut. Bowerman and Lieut. Remington.

How the Teams Stand.

The positions of the three teams are as follows:

P. W. D. L. P. A. Pts.  
Club ..... 8 3 - 13 7 6  
Army ..... 3 1 - 2 5 8 2  
Navy ..... 2 - 2 3 6

COMMENCING  
TO-MORROW  
Sunday, 24th January

# KING'S THEATRE

BOOKING AT THE  
THEATRE  
Telephone No. 25318

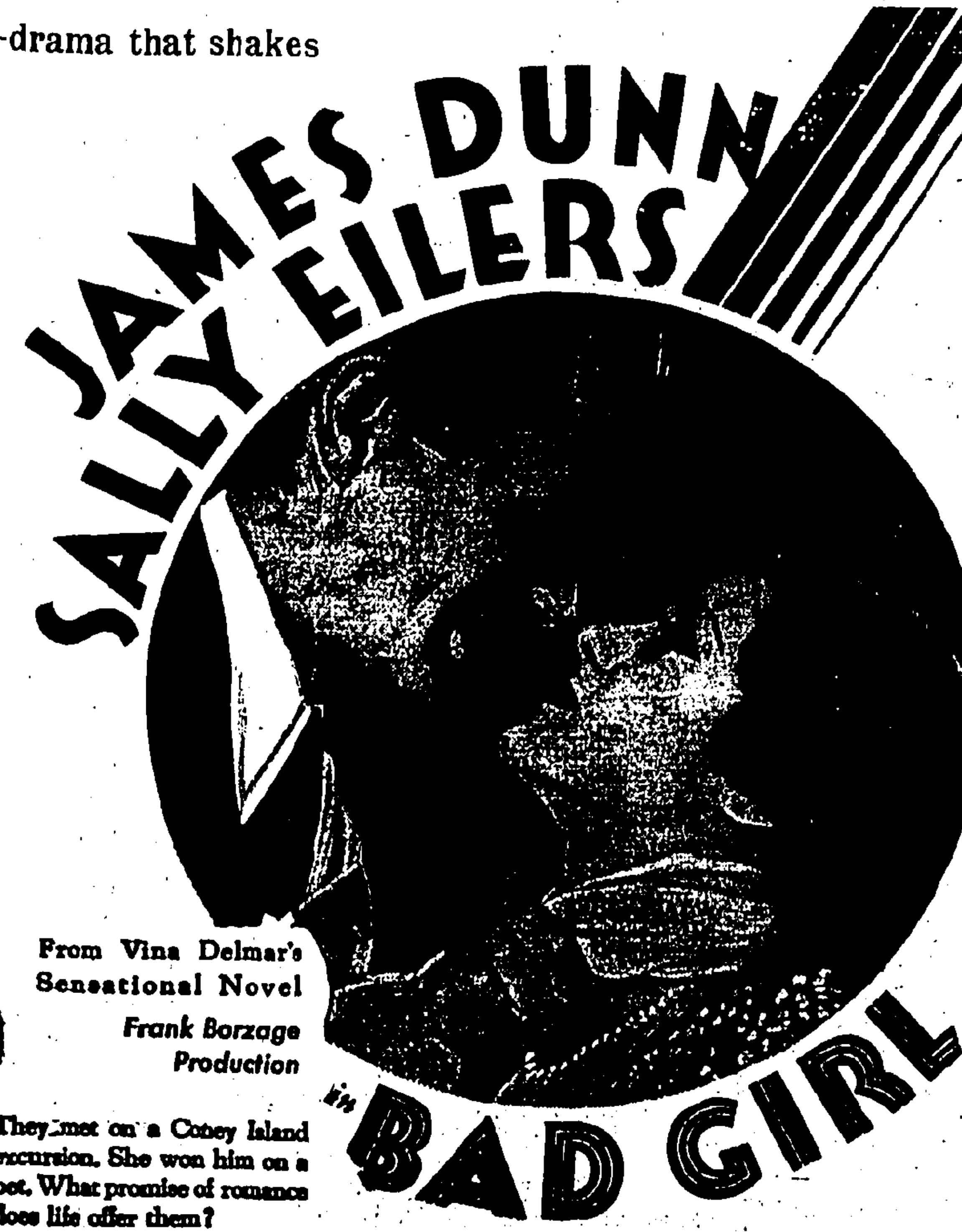
Here's a stirring, glowing story—drama that shakes the emotions like a jolt from life. Tears and smiles and lights and shades of romance. You'll like it because it's human. You'll applaud it because it's true. You'll cherish it because it's beautifully acted and directed—one of the finest pictures of the decade.

He had a new life.  
She had a new start.  
They kissed—and  
gave love a new  
twist.



From Vina Delmar's  
Sensational Novel  
Frank Borzage  
Production

They met on a Coney Island excursion. She won him on a bet. What promise of romance does life offer them?



### SPECIAL ADDED ATTRACTION



### PARIS NIGHT

Here's to Paris—the world's playground! The Magic Carpet of Movietone offers an all-night trip for the lively—starting at the crack of a bottle and winding up at the crack of dawn.

Never has the contagious gaiety of the French capital been so swiftly presented. You make the rounds with their glittering entertainment and their cosmopolitan clientele, crossing the threshold of such famed resorts as the MOULIN ROUGE, LIDO, ZELLI'S and the FOLIES BERGERE. And so the final fillip, Movietone is spectator at an event which no tourist is permitted to see—one of the famous balls of the Latin Quarter, where artists and models drop the restraints of civilization in pagan revel.

**See These Values!**

AN UNEXPECTED SHIPMENT

of

**BEAUTIFUL SILKS**

has just arrived!

**Prices are lower than ever!****Qualities of the very best.**

It will well pay you to walk a few steps up

Wyndham Street—just past the  
"Morning Post" Building, to**The Crown Silk Store**

5 Wyndham Street—5

**THE HAT OF SUPREME DISTINCTION**

Note its graceful lines and fit, compelling the wearer to look distinguished; to stand out from the crowd. Examine the quality...

The Borsalino hat is made only of the finest materials, following a rigid code of manufacture, in delicate shades to suit the most exacting purchaser. Beware of imitations...



IT'S THE HALL-MARK OF ITS GENUINENESS

**PILSENER LAGER BEER.****"Blue Girl" Brand.**  
The most suitable Beer for the tropics.

Distributors:  
Sang Tai Tel. 20904  
Chan Yuen , 21923  
Kwan Tye , 20891  
Tyo Shing , 21868  
Nam Hing Loong , 20351

**PENNILESS LABOUR EX-M.P.s.****PARTY GOING TO THE RESCUE.**

An effort is being made by the Executive of the Labour Party to trace cases of want among former Labour Members of Parliament who lost their seats—and their only means of subsistence—at the General Election.

Many are out of work and almost penniless.

To those who had no trade union or other posts to resume after the election, Mr. J. S. Middleton, Assistant Secretary of the Party, has written a private letter asking if they are in actual want.

The problem of giving relief presents serious difficulties. The Party has no available fund for this purpose, but when it is known how many are in actual want a suitable line of action will be considered.

**NEW CABINETS AND OLD.****SIR JOHN SIMON'S EXPERIENCES.**

Changes in Cabinet machinery and method which strike a Minister who returns to the Cabinet after a considerable interval, were described by Sir John Simon in the "Commemoration Oration" at King's College, London.

Sir John was a Cabinet Minister before and during part of the War, and he recently returned to the Cabinet as Foreign Secretary after an interval of 15 years.

He said that when he joined the Cabinet in 1913 there was no Secretariat, and minutes were not kept. "The only record of what was discussed or decided was contained in the report which the Prime Minister made after each meeting to the King, and of course, that report was communicated to no one else."

"It was indeed a distinct breach of tradition and a departure from the spirit of consultation for other Ministers to keep any record of their own, save so far as it was necessary to communicate what was decided to the Department for which an individual Minister was responsible.

"Now all this has been altered. A most responsible Civil Servant, who is known as the Secretary to the Cabinet, attends every meeting and sits at the Prime Minister's side. If, for any reason, he could not be present, his place would be taken by his deputy.

"He makes a full note of every Cabinet decision, together with such record as is necessary of the main considerations which led up to it."

Nowadays, an agenda was drawn up under the Prime Minister's instructions.

**Lord Hartington Baffled.**

The change which was characteristic of the free working of British Institutions was most interesting. "I think that after further experience it would be difficult to find anyone who would propose to return to the more ancient mode."

Sir John gave examples which showed how serious misunderstandings had occasionally arisen in the absence of authoritative record, due to different impressions of what was in fact decided at Cabinet meetings.

One instance occurred after the bombardment of Alexandria, when there was under consideration Sir Garnet Wolseley's expedition to Egypt. Lord Hartington's private secretary wrote to Sir Edward Hamilton, one of the Prime Minister's private secretaries:

"My dear Eddy,—Harcourt and Chamberlain have both been here this morning and at my Chief about yesterday's Cabinet proceedings. They cannot agree about what occurred. There must have been some decision, as Bright's resignation shows. My Chief has told me to ask you what the devil was decided, for he be damned if he knows. Will you ask Mr. Gladstone in more conventional and less pungent terms?"

Sir John also reached the statement of Lord Curzon, who, describing the old Cabinet system before the days of the Secretariat, said, "The Cabinet often had the very haziest notion as to what its decisions were. . . . Cases frequently arose when the matter was left so much in doubt that a Minister went away and acted upon what he thought was the decision, which subsequently turned out to be no decision at all, or was contradicted by his colleagues."

**ASK AT KODAK DEALERS****FOR THE new FILM**

with

**Six Big Points of Superiority****KODAK . . . Double-Coated . . . VERICHROME FILM****How Kodak****Verichrome Film differs from other film**

1. Double-coated. Two layers of sensitive silver.
2. Highly colour-sensitive. Especially to yellows and greens, which predominate in nature.
3. Halation "fuzz" prevented by coloured backing on the film.
4. Finer details in highlights, portions that represent light parts of subject.
5. Finer detail in shadows, portions that represent dark parts of subject.
6. Translucent, so that the superimpositions listed above can be seen at a glance at the negative.
7. Priced but a few cents higher than regular single coated film.

**Improvement Plainly Seen**

Kodak Verichrome Film, now in stock here, offers you a ready, certain means of radically improving the quality of your pictures—of giving them a striking new richness of detail. A new, exclusive process gives the image a sparkling ground-glass effect. Instead of being transparent, Kodak Verichrome Film is translucent. The effect is instantly seen when you look at the negative—at it, not through it.

**The Chequered Band**

Kodak Verichrome Film is priced a few cents higher than Kodak Film, which is not to be discontinued. To distinguish the two kinds of film, a red and black band has been added to the famous yellow carton that contains Kodak Verichrome Film.

**To the technically inclined**

Kodak Verichrome Film is highly orthochromatic, natural colour balance is maintained in pictures that it produces—red does not darken nor blue fade away to white. Also, by its combination of fast and slow coatings, Kodak Verichrome Film means a larger percentage of printable negatives, less glaring highlights, more detailed shadows. And, the new film extends the picture day, for you can now be sure of results that you never dared before.

**EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY**

24, Yuen Ming Yuen Road, Shanghai.

David House, Hongkong.

ROUND THE FAMOUS KODAK YELLOW CARTON RUNS A CHEQUERED BAND

A.P.E. 27

**When Beauty Enchants**

Serene confidence and radiant charm are assured social assets to the cultured woman who uses "4711" regularly. The magic aroma of this exquisite and genuine Eau de Cologne refreshes instantly when applied generously to the forehead or the nape of the neck, or slowly inhaled from the handkerchief.

"4711" Eau de Cologne and Toiletries. Recognized by the numeral "4711" on the Blue and Gold Label.



"4711" Tosca Compagnie  
A dainty and exquisite face powder in a convenient and economical form. Fragranced with "4711".  
There is a shade suited to your colouring.

**Genuine Eau de Cologne**



Use Mentholatum and it will quickly relieve the pain and heal the affected parts. Soothing, cooling and healing, Mentholatum is a household necessity for treating many ills, as cuts, bruises, insect bites, headaches, burns, skin afflictions, etc.

Refuse the many worthless imitations—look for the genuine Mentholatum.

**MAN HING TAILOR**

PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED

No. 6 D'Aguilar Street.

Tel. 20760.

THE NEW THERAPION NO. 1  
THERAPION NO. 2  
THERAPION NO. 3  
THERAPION NO. 4  
THERAPION NO. 5  
THERAPION NO. 6  
THERAPION NO. 7  
THERAPION NO. 8  
THERAPION NO. 9  
THERAPION NO. 10  
THERAPION NO. 11  
THERAPION NO. 12  
THERAPION NO. 13  
THERAPION NO. 14  
THERAPION NO. 15  
THERAPION NO. 16  
THERAPION NO. 17  
THERAPION NO. 18  
THERAPION NO. 19  
THERAPION NO. 20  
THERAPION NO. 21  
THERAPION NO. 22  
THERAPION NO. 23  
THERAPION NO. 24  
THERAPION NO. 25  
THERAPION NO. 26  
THERAPION NO. 27  
THERAPION NO. 28  
THERAPION NO. 29  
THERAPION NO. 30  
THERAPION NO. 31  
THERAPION NO. 32  
THERAPION NO. 33  
THERAPION NO. 34  
THERAPION NO. 35  
THERAPION NO. 36  
THERAPION NO. 37  
THERAPION NO. 38  
THERAPION NO. 39  
THERAPION NO. 40  
THERAPION NO. 41  
THERAPION NO. 42  
THERAPION NO. 43  
THERAPION NO. 44  
THERAPION NO. 45  
THERAPION NO. 46  
THERAPION NO. 47  
THERAPION NO. 48  
THERAPION NO. 49  
THERAPION NO. 50  
THERAPION NO. 51  
THERAPION NO. 52  
THERAPION NO. 53  
THERAPION NO. 54  
THERAPION NO. 55  
THERAPION NO. 56  
THERAPION NO. 57  
THERAPION NO. 58  
THERAPION NO. 59  
THERAPION NO. 60  
THERAPION NO. 61  
THERAPION NO. 62  
THERAPION NO. 63  
THERAPION NO. 64  
THERAPION NO. 65  
THERAPION NO. 66  
THERAPION NO. 67  
THERAPION NO. 68  
THERAPION NO. 69  
THERAPION NO. 70  
THERAPION NO. 71  
THERAPION NO. 72  
THERAPION NO. 73  
THERAPION NO. 74  
THERAPION NO. 75  
THERAPION NO. 76  
THERAPION NO. 77  
THERAPION NO. 78  
THERAPION NO. 79  
THERAPION NO. 80  
THERAPION NO. 81  
THERAPION NO. 82  
THERAPION NO. 83  
THERAPION NO. 84  
THERAPION NO. 85  
THERAPION NO. 86  
THERAPION NO. 87  
THERAPION NO. 88  
THERAPION NO. 89  
THERAPION NO. 90  
THERAPION NO. 91  
THERAPION NO. 92  
THERAPION NO. 93  
THERAPION NO. 94  
THERAPION NO. 95  
THERAPION NO. 96  
THERAPION NO. 97  
THERAPION NO. 98  
THERAPION NO. 99  
THERAPION NO. 100  
THERAPION NO. 101  
THERAPION NO. 102  
THERAPION NO. 103  
THERAPION NO. 104  
THERAPION NO. 105  
THERAPION NO. 106  
THERAPION NO. 107  
THERAPION NO. 108  
THERAPION NO. 109  
THERAPION NO. 110  
THERAPION NO. 111  
THERAPION NO. 112  
THERAPION NO. 113  
THERAPION NO. 114  
THERAPION NO. 115  
THERAPION NO. 116  
THERAPION NO. 117  
THERAPION NO. 118  
THERAPION NO. 119  
THERAPION NO. 120  
THERAPION NO. 121  
THERAPION NO. 122  
THERAPION NO. 123  
THERAPION NO. 124  
THERAPION NO. 125  
THERAPION NO. 126  
THERAPION NO. 127  
THERAPION NO. 128  
THERAPION NO. 129  
THERAPION NO. 130  
THERAPION NO. 131  
THERAPION NO. 132  
THERAPION NO. 133  
THERAPION NO. 134  
THERAPION NO. 135  
THERAPION NO. 136  
THERAPION NO. 137  
THERAPION NO. 138  
THERAPION NO. 139  
THERAPION NO. 140  
THERAPION NO. 141  
THERAPION NO. 142  
THERAPION NO. 143  
THERAPION NO. 144  
THERAPION NO. 145  
THERAPION NO. 146  
THERAPION NO. 147  
THERAPION NO. 148  
THERAPION NO. 149  
THERAPION NO. 150  
THERAPION NO. 151  
THERAPION NO. 152  
THERAPION NO. 153  
THERAPION NO. 154  
THERAPION NO. 155  
THERAPION NO. 156  
THERAPION NO. 157  
THERAPION NO. 158  
THERAPION NO. 159  
THERAPION NO. 160  
THERAPION NO. 161  
THERAPION NO. 162  
THERAPION NO. 163  
THERAPION NO. 164  
THERAPION NO. 165  
THERAPION NO. 166  
THERAPION NO. 167  
THERAPION NO. 168  
THERAPION NO. 169  
THERAPION NO. 170  
THERAPION NO. 171  
THERAPION NO. 172  
THERAPION NO. 173  
THERAPION NO. 174  
THERAPION NO. 175  
THERAPION NO. 176  
THERAPION NO. 177  
THERAPION NO. 178  
THERAPION NO. 179  
THERAPION NO. 180  
THERAPION NO. 181  
THERAPION NO. 182  
THERAPION NO. 183  
THERAPION NO. 184  
THERAPION NO. 185  
THERAPION NO. 186  
THERAPION NO. 187  
THERAPION NO. 188  
THERAPION NO. 189  
THERAPION NO. 190  
THERAPION NO. 191  
THERAPION NO. 192  
THERAPION NO. 193  
THERAPION NO. 194  
THERAPION NO. 195  
THERAPION NO. 196  
THERAPION NO. 197  
THERAPION NO. 198  
THERAPION NO. 199  
THERAPION NO. 200  
THERAPION NO. 201  
THERAPION NO. 202  
THERAPION NO. 203  
THERAPION NO. 204  
THERAPION NO. 205  
THERAPION NO. 206  
THERAPION NO. 207  
THERAPION NO. 208  
THERAPION NO. 209  
THERAPION NO. 210  
THERAPION NO. 211  
THERAPION NO. 212  
THERAPION NO. 213  
THERAPION NO. 214  
THERAPION NO. 215  
THERAPION NO. 216  
THERAPION NO. 217  
THERAPION NO. 218  
THERAPION NO. 219  
THERAPION NO. 220  
THERAPION NO. 221  
THERAPION NO. 222  
THERAPION NO. 223  
THERAPION NO. 224  
THERAPION NO. 225  
THERAPION NO. 226  
THERAPION NO. 227  
THERAPION NO. 228  
THERAPION NO. 229  
THERAPION NO. 230  
THERAPION NO. 231  
THERAPION NO. 232  
THERAPION NO. 233  
THERAPION NO. 234  
THERAPION NO. 235  
THERAPION NO. 236  
THERAPION NO. 237  
THERAPION NO. 238  
THERAPION NO. 239  
THERAPION NO. 240  
THERAPION NO. 241  
THERAPION NO. 242  
THERAPION NO. 243  
THERAPION NO. 244  
THERAPION NO. 245  
THERAPION NO. 246  
THERAPION NO. 247  
THERAPION NO. 248  
THERAPION NO. 249  
THERAPION NO. 250  
THERAPION NO. 251  
THERAPION NO. 252  
THERAPION NO. 253  
THERAPION NO. 254  
THERAPION NO. 255  
THERAPION NO. 256  
THERAPION NO. 257  
THERAPION NO. 258  
THERAPION NO. 259  
THERAPION NO. 260  
THERAPION NO. 261  
THERAPION NO. 262  
THERAPION NO. 263  
THERAPION NO. 264  
THERAPION NO. 265  
THERAPION NO. 266  
THERAPION NO. 267  
THERAPION NO. 268  
THERAPION NO. 269  
THERAPION NO. 270  
THERAPION NO. 271  
THERAPION NO. 272  
THERAPION NO. 273  
THERAPION NO. 274  
THERAPION NO. 275  
THERAPION NO. 276  
THERAPION NO. 277  
THERAPION NO. 278  
THERAPION NO. 279  
THERAPION NO. 280  
THERAPION NO. 281  
THERAPION NO.

from our

**Bakery—**

Exquisite PASTRIES  
Fancy & plain CAKES  
Elegant PETIT FOURS  
Flavourful CHOCOLATES  
Delicious CONFECTIONERY  
  
Specialists in  
WEDDING CAKES  
CHRISTENING CAKES  
BIRTHDAY CAKES  
and  
Masterful Creations  
for all occasions

DELICIOUS, wholesome, artistic productions  
in large and attractive variety—  
fresh daily.....

ORDERS TAKEN AT  
"Mac's" Cafe HONGKONG HOTEL  
and Peninsula Hotel Cafe

NO order too small and none too large,  
all executed with the utmost care  
to Customers' requirements.

THE HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

**YOU**

whose skin has a tendency to become  
too dry at times, Skin and Tissue  
Cream should use. It is readily  
absorbed and supplies the oil which  
the skin is lacking, thus restoring the  
normal, soft texture to the skin.



SOLD AT STANDARD PRICES  
IN ALL LEADING STORES.  
WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTORS:  
J. M. DA ROCHA & CO.

ADOLPHE  
BAIN—**"ATHENA"**  
Studio

INTERIOR DECORATION  
MODERN FURNITURE  
MADE BY FRENCH DESIGNER.

NOW OPEN

Tai-Ping Building—4th Floor

**HOUSEHOLD COAL**

Further supplies of our well-known Household Coal  
are now available.

Delivered to Upper Levels ..... \$25.00 per ton  
" Med. Levels ..... \$24.00 " "  
" Lower Levels & Kowloon \$23.00 "

Terms: Cash with order

ARNHOLD &amp; CO., LTD.,

Tel. 28141

Gloucester Building.

**DASH ACROSS  
SAHARA.****ESCAPE FROM ARABS.**

Two intrepid newspaper men who left Colom-Bachar, in Morocco, to cross the Central Sahara to Gao, on the Niger, exploring one of the least-known and wildest areas of the world, have just reached Regan.

It was feared that the two explorers were lost, but a message has been received from them which

Our two armoured cars have covered the 500 miles which separated us from Regan in two and a half days. Seven bands of marauding Arabs were signalled to us, and we certainly just arrived in time.

The explorers are M. Leo Gerville-Réache and M. J. Roger Mathieu, of the well-known Paris newspaper *Le Matin*.

They had reached by armoured car the drenched Salt Desert, half-way between Regan and Timbuctoo, where slavery still exists and where the unfortunate Negro captives, who are compelled to extract the salt from the salt marshes, rarely live more than six months and usually die of thirst and fatigue after they have become totally blind from the effect of the blazing sunshine.

Both daring reporters are familiar with the immense stretches of No Man's Land of North Africa. M. Roger Mathieu accomplished the extraordinary newspaper feat of interviewing Abdal Krim, the Riff leader, in his mountain fastness at the height of the Riff rebellion against France, arriving at his headquarters shelled by the rebel mountain gunners and bombed by his friends of the French Air Force in Morocco, who were unaware of the object of his enterprise.

M. Gerville-Réache is one of the few people who made the first world-tour with the airship Graf Zeppelin, and he also took part in the first trip of the world's greatest heavier-than-air machine, the German Do X.

Before leaving Taoudeni, in the heart of the Salt Desert, the ex-

**DO BARBERS TALK  
TOO MUCH?****A REGISTRAR'S RUSE.**

Are barbers too talkative? Mr. Registrar Friend thinks so. He said at Clerkenwell County Court: "It is my experience that barbers talk too much."

His ruse to stop the flow of talk, he explained, is to buy a newspaper and hold it in front of him while his hair is being trimmed.

Inquiries by a reporter suggested that barbers of to-day are much less talkative than their predecessors. "Never speak until you are spoken to," is apparently a general rule.

Following are some experiences gathered.

A Photographer: I have to do my newspaper reading before I sit in the barber's chair. Two days ago my barber was anxious to have my views on the Gold Standard.

An Artist: I have two barbers—one in Bond-street, the other in the Strand. The first is too busy attending to newly-arrived customers to give much attention to conversation. The other is a keen antiquary. I never tire of his stories.

A Novelist: My experience is that men's barbers are a gloomy lot in general.

Librarian: The man who last trimmed my hair could talk of nothing else but the Irish Sweep.

A London Editor: I always go to sleep at the barber's. If he did talk I shouldn't hear him.

A Machine Salesman: I do all the talking myself—the barber cannot get a word in edgeways.

A number of West End establishments prominently display the following notice in their saloons: "Our assistants are instructed not to force conversation on clients."

Explorers reported that they and their escort of camel-riders were caught between the two fires of bands of Arab nomads who were seeking to encircle the town. They had no other course, they stated, but to make at top speed for Regan in an attempt to escape.

The conference passed a resolution recognising the value and diversity of the work already done in the schools, emphasising the importance of a carefully considered system of physical education, and welcoming the formation of the Carnegie Institute for Physical Training.

**ECONOMIES IN  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS.****NOTHING DRASTIC.**

Headmasters in conference at Charterhouse, Godalming, discussed the problem of economies in public schools, and decided that

The cost of education cannot be drastically reduced without grave loss of efficiency.

The conference agreed, however, that economies can, and should, be made by

A saving in administrative expenses.

Postponement where practicable of structural improvements, and

Withdrawal of all demands for expenditure on purposes which are not of essential value to the efficiency of the school.

The conference was of opinion that the expectations of the parents of boys in boarding schools have greatly increased in recent years, and suggested that every effort should be made to secure their co-operation.

**Physical Training.**

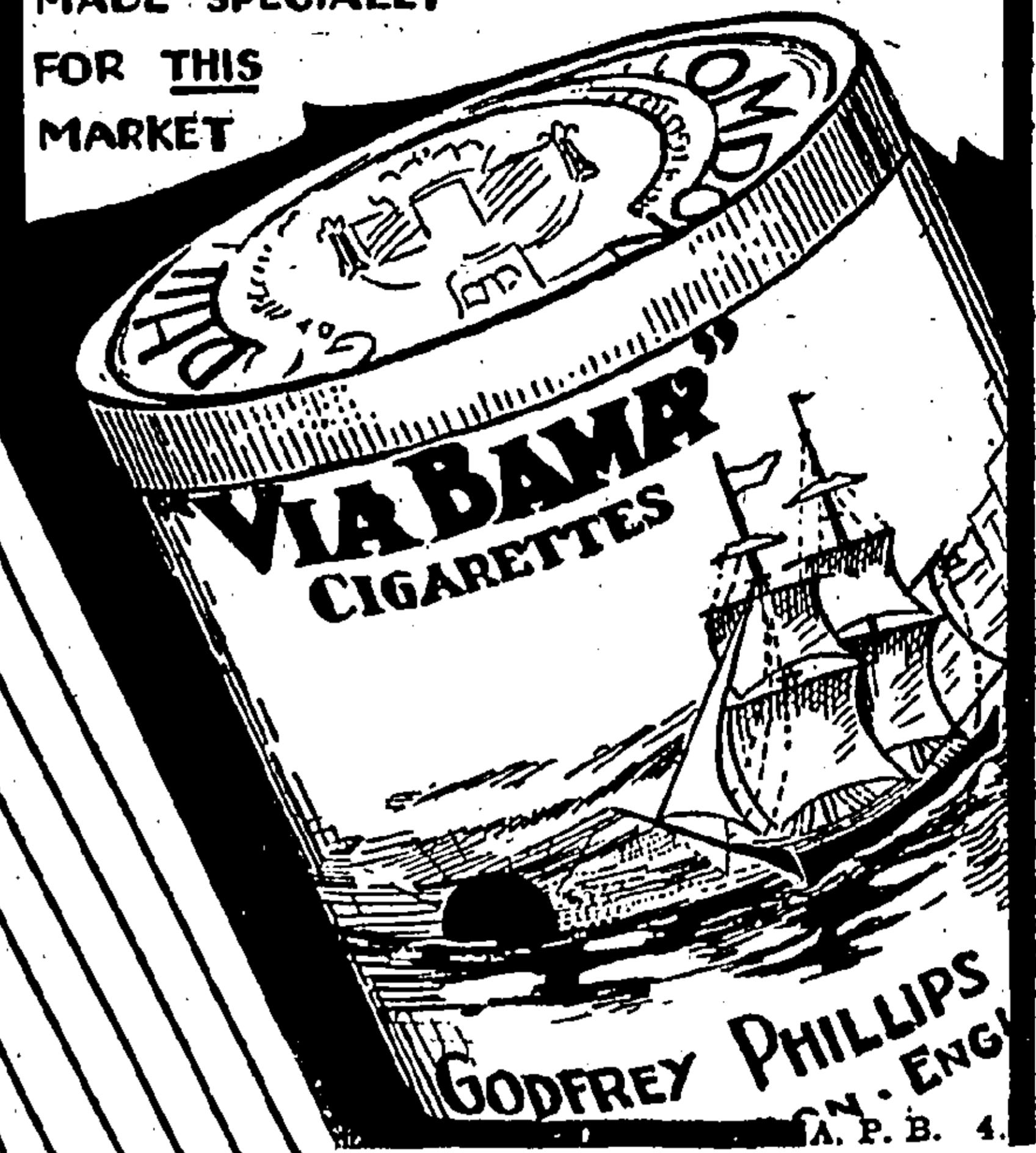
Another topic considered was the physical training given in public schools.

Mr. M. L. Jacks, of M.I.H.I.H., who advocated that the army instructor type of physical instruction should be replaced by a system of physical education directed by a graduate, said:

"The bulk of Army instructors are limited in their outlook, however efficient they may be. Their work is apt to be unrelated to the boy's other subjects and especially to his games."

"Some of the exercises I believe to be definitely harmful. I am told that the horizontal bars are one of the prime causes of round shoulders. The gymnastic apparatus caters only for the expert, who are a small proportion of the boys."

The conference passed a resolution recognising the value and diversity of the work already done in the schools, emphasising the importance of a carefully considered system of physical education, and welcoming the formation of the Carnegie Institute for Physical Training.

**EXCELLENT VIRGINIAN CIGARETTES****MADE SPECIALLY****FOR THIS  
MARKET****Felix Hat Shop.**

York Building, Chater Road.

**NEW YEAR'S SALE.**

All Goods offered at greatly reduced Prices irrespective of cost, in order to make room for our Spring Consignments.

**MODERN BEAUTY TREATMENT**

NATURAL WAVES, CURLY ENDS.  
ELECTRIC BATHS.  
JAPANESE MASSAGE.  
Tester Beauty Parlour.  
Kayamally Bldg. Tel. 22103.  
Ground Floor.



"Bad Girl" stars run at the King's Theatre to-morrow.

**OBTAI N VALUE FOR YOUR  
MONEY**

Compare Present Prices of Provisions  
with Those of Last Month.

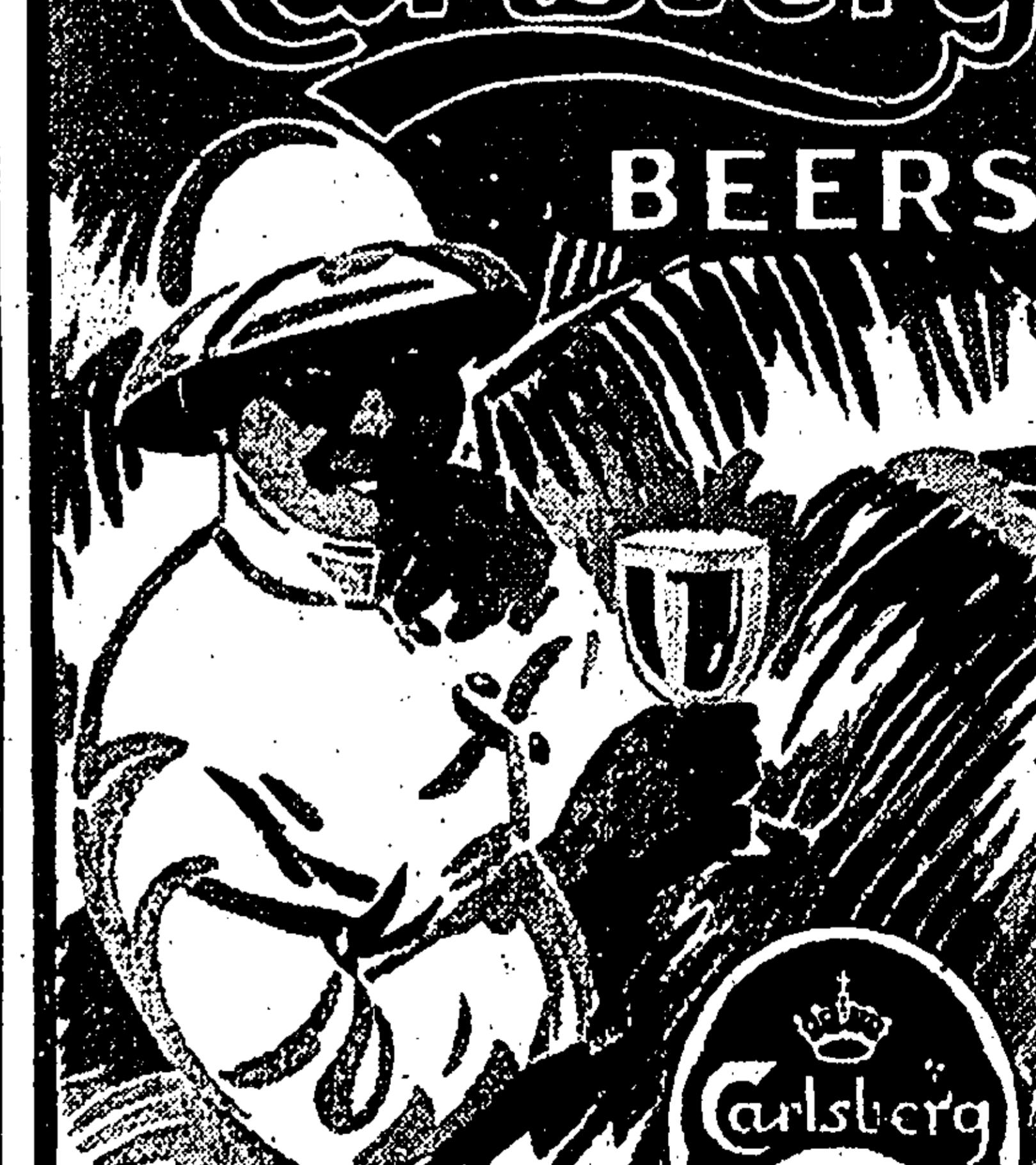
	DECEMBER PRICES	JANUARY PRICES
FINEST BACK BACON .....	\$2.00	\$1.40
" STREAKY " .....	\$1.50	\$1.20
" GAMMONS (Whole) .....	\$1.50	\$1.20
" CORNERS (3-5 lbs.) .....	\$2.00	\$1.50
" HOCK (4-6 lbs.) .....	\$1.50	\$1.00
KIPPERS .....	90	.80
BLOATERS .....	90	.70
HADDOCK .....	\$1.40	\$1.00
PALETHORPE'S FRESH SAUSAGES ..	\$2.10	\$1.75

**LEGHORN EGGS**from  
SUNNY LEGHORN FARM

New Territories..... Fresh Daily.

Provision Department

LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

**Carlsberg****BEERS**

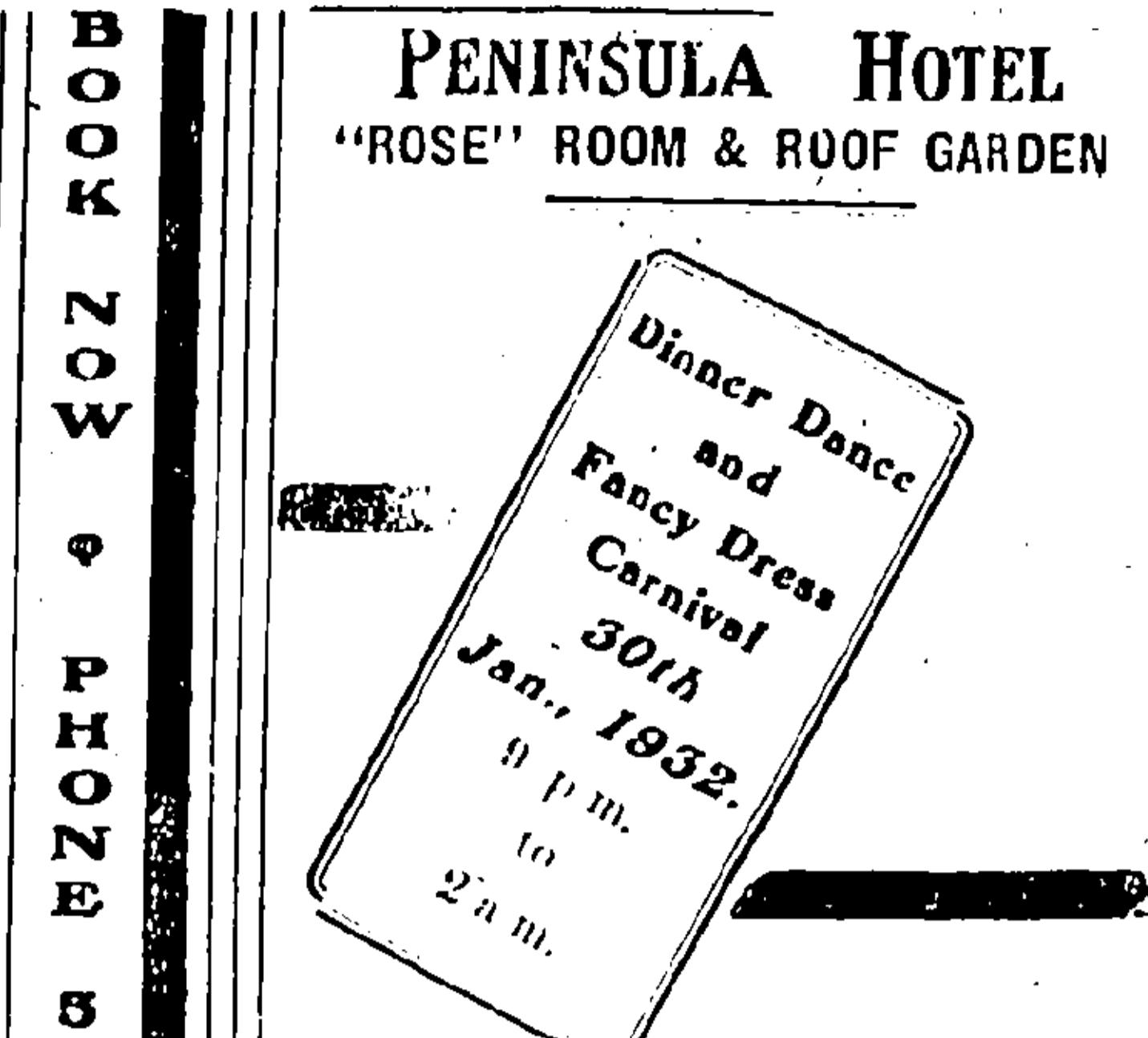
The Famous  
DANISH BEER

THAT TAKES THE LEAD IN ALL  
THE WORLD'S MARKETS  
OBTAINABLE AT ALL LEADING STORES

Distributors—  
John MANNERS & Co., Ltd.  
Vernon's Bank Building  
Hong Kong

**A "Youth's Frolic"**

To function at the

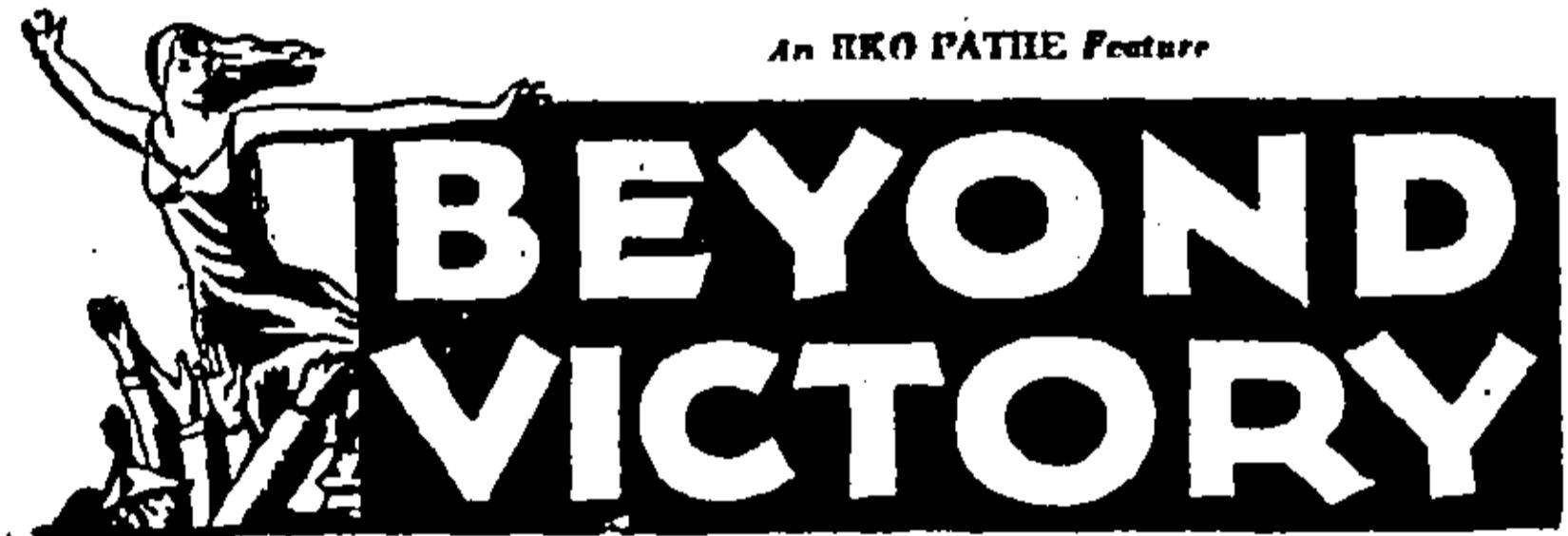
**PENINSULA HOTEL**  
"ROSE" ROOM & ROOF GARDEN

**FUN & FROLIC**  
fantastic and joyful  
raught with endless amusement  
entertaining prize rivalry  
or costume and competition  
OR OLD FOLK & YOUNG FOLK ALIKE

THE HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

COMING SOON TO THE CENTRAL!

An EKO PATHÉ Feature



with  
**BIL BOYD,**  
**JAMES GLEASON, LEW CODY.**



**SINCERE'S**  
**WOOLLEN**  
**SALE**  
**Now On**

Drastic Cut in Prices of All our Stocks of Woollen Wear.

An Excellent Opportunity for Replenishment of Your Winter Wardrobes at these Special Low Prices.

**YAUMATI FIRE INQUIRY.****SCOUTMASTER'S BRAVERY COMMENDED.**

Tribute to the bravery of a scoutmaster was paid at the inquiry yesterday into the tragic fire at No. 188 Shanghai Street, Yaumati, on the evening of January 9 when four lives were lost. The inquiry was held at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, with Mr. Fraser, sitting as Coroner. The victims of the blaze were a woman Kwong Ting-shu (38), Kwong Tin (10), Kwong Ngau-chau (4), and a female infant aged ten days.

The jury empanelled consisted of Morris, S. Bruggen Bate (foreman), V. Ribeiro and Fung Chik-man.

Station-Officer Smith gave evidence of receiving a call to a fire at 188 Shanghai Street at about 8.30 p.m. on Saturday, January 9. On the arrival of the Brigade, the fire had already obtained a firm hold on the premises. The staircases of the burning building were made of wood and they had caught alight, thus cutting off the only means of escape. With improvised ladders and from adjoining houses, the Brigade was able to rescue many people who were trapped in the premises.

**Accident With Cigarette.**  
Lai Mui, living on the ground floor of No. 188, which was a cotton quilt shop, stated that she was working on the cotton that evening. In lighting a cigarette, she accidentally set fire to the cotton, which burned up so quickly that before she and the other inmates of the shop could put it out, the stairs had caught fire. The outbreak spread very quickly and very soon the whole house was involved.

Evidence of identification of the bodies was given by Kwong Chuen, the husband and father of the four dead people, who said he was not at home at the time of the fire. He stated he was taken to the Kowloon Mortuary where he saw the bodies of his wife and three children.

At the conclusion of his evidence, the Coroner said, "I want to tell you how sorry we all are for you in this tragic affair."

Dr. Utley testified that at about 10 a.m. on January 10, the bodies of the four dead persons were identified by the previous witness as his wife and three children respectively. All the four had been very badly burned and in his

**OPIUM ON SHIP.****MASTER OF DUTCH VESSEL ACQUITTED.**

Malta, Jan. 22.—On the ground that raw opium is not included in the schedule of prohibited drugs, the master of the Dutch steamer Hermes has been acquitted in suit arising from a hundred kilogrammes of opium being found aboard.—Reuters.

opinion, death was caused by suffocation.

**Tribute to Scoutmaster.**  
At this point, the Coroner said he did not think further evidence was necessary. He would like, however, to mention the gallant conduct of Mr. Lau Hung-chol, whose work in the fire had been fully reported to him. Mr. Lau, whom he understood was a local Scoutmaster, was very early at the scene of the fire, and had gone up to the burning building where he removed all the combustible material he could find and was instrumental in saving the lives of several people. Mr. Lau tried to get to the four dead people, but eventually found that he could not reach them, and had to leave to the Fire Brigade to extricate the dead bodies.

Addressing Mr. Lau, the Coroner said, "Mr. Lau, I do not propose to call your evidence, but I should like to mention your conduct in connexion with this fire. You have done a great deal not only in preventing the fire from spreading but also in saving the lives of several people. I take great pleasure in commending you."

**Accidental Death.**

In his summing-up, the Coroner said there was no doubt as to the origin of the fire. The woman living in the ground floor had been smoking and had thrown a match into the cotton which was stacked in the shop. She should not have been smoking at the time, but she could not be held responsible for the deaths of the four people.

There was no doubt that death, in all cases, was due to suffocation as a result of the fire. The verdict of manslaughter, he continued, could not enter into the inquiry because there was no direct contact between the woman who caused the fire and the deaths of the people. The jury, after consideration returned a verdict of "Accidental Death."

The Coroner concurred with the verdict.

**Comencing to-morrow at the QUEEN'S**

A tango drama  
for Norma  
Shearer's boost  
talkie performance!

**NORMA SHEARER**

In a new screen triumph...  
**A FREE SOUL**  
with  
**LONEL BARRYMORE,**  
**LEO HOWARD,**  
**CLARK GABLE**  
and  
Mae West  
Norma Shearer  
Produced by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer  
Directed by Sam Wood  
Screenplay by Robert Riskin  
Based on the novel by John O'Hara  
Music by Alfred Newman  
Photography by George Barnes  
Cinematography by Ernest Haller  
Production Design by Cedric Gibbons  
Art Direction by Cedric Gibbons  
Costumes by Irene Sharpenau  
Edited by Walter H. Moore  
Sound by Harry Stradling  
Sound Effects by Harry Stradling  
Musical Score by Max Steiner  
Cinematography by Ernest Haller  
Art Direction by Cedric Gibbons  
Costumes by Irene Sharpenau  
Edited by Walter H. Moore  
Sound by Harry Stradling  
Sound Effects by Harry Stradling  
Musical Score by Max Steiner

Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

Deposits received for Fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

**BANKS.****THE CHARTERED BANK OF HONGKONG, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.**

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1858.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

Paid-Up Capital ..... £10,000,000

Reserve Fund ..... 4,000,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors ..... 8,000,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors ..... 8,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Hon. Mr. G. G. Mackie

Chairman

Hon. Mr. J. J. Palmer

Deputy Chairman

W. H. Bell, Esq.

T. M. Pease, Esq.

A. H. Compton, Esq. J. A. Plummer, Esq.

T. H. Shaw, Esq. G. Michie, Esq.

J. P. Warren, Esq.

V. M. GRAYBURN, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER

BRANCHES—

LONDON

LYON

MALACCA

MANILA

MUAR (Johore)

BUKIDEN

NEW YORK

PEKING

PENANG

RANGOON

HAIPHONG

HAMBURG

SAN FRANCISCO

SHANGHAI

SINGAPORE

BOUBARAYA

BUNGEI (PATAN)

LAOS

TOKIO

TSINGTAO

YUKOLAMA

KUALA LUMPUR

Current Accounts opened in Local Current and Fixed Deposits renewed for one year or shorter periods in Local Currency and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application Hongkong, 18th May, 1931.

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

Authorized Capital ..... £50,000,000

Issued and Fully Paid-up ..... 10,000,000

Reserve Fund ..... £2,000,000

Sterling ..... £2,000,000

Silver ..... £10,000,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors ..... 8,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Hon. Mr. G. G. Mackie

Chairman

Hon. Mr. J. J. Palmer

Deputy Chairman

W. H. Bell, Esq.

T. M. Pease, Esq.

A. H. Compton, Esq. J. A. Plummer, Esq.

T. H. Shaw, Esq. G. Michie, Esq.

J. P. Warren, Esq.

V. M. GRAYBURN, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER

BRANCHES—

LONDON

LYON

MALACCA

MANILA

MUAR (Johore)

BUKIDEN

NEW YORK

PEKING

PENANG

RANGOON

HAIPHONG

HAMBURG

SAN FRANCISCO

SHANGHAI

SINGAPORE

BOUBARAYA

BUNGEI (PATAN)

LAOS

TOKIO

TSINGTAO

YUKOLAMA

KUALA LUMPUR

Current Accounts opened in Local Current and Fixed Deposits renewed for one year or shorter periods in Local Currency and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application Hongkong, 18th May, 1931.

**HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK**

The Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Help may be obtained application.

FOR T. E. HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

V. M. GRAYBURN.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1930.

**THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK.**

HEAD OFFICE: 55 Wall Street, New York.

Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits ..... U.S.\$224,554,291

Branches in—

LONDON

MEXICO

PANAMA

PHILIPPINES

URUGUAY

VENEZUELA

Commercial and Travellers' Letters of Credit, Travellers' Cheques, Bills of Exchange and Cable Transfers bought and sold. Current accounts and Savings Bank accounts opened and Fixed Deposits in local and foreign currencies taken at rates that may be ascertained on application to the Bank.

We are also able to offer our Customers the services of the Branches of the International Banking Corporation in San Francisco, and Spain and also of The National City Bank of New York (France) S.A., in Paris and Nice.

F. McD. COURTNEY.

Manager.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1931.

**BANK OF CHINA.**

Reorganized October 21, 1928, under special charter of the National Government as an INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE BANK.

Subscribed Capital ..... \$25,000,000

Paid-Up Capital ..... \$4,710,000

Reserve Fund ..... \$5,320,502.82

HEAD OFFICE: SHANGHAI.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

4, Queen's Road Central.

Owing to our numerous branches in China and large connections in the important commercial centres of the world, we are able to offer a full range of banking and exchange services for domestic and foreign banking and exchange.

We also handle the issue of Bonds and other Public Funds of the Chinese Government both at home and abroad.

SHOU J. CHINN,

Manager.

**LONDON SERVICE**

AUTOLYOUS 2nd Feb. For Marseilles, Casablanca, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.  
AENEAS 16th Feb. For Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & The Hague.

**LIVERPOOL SERVICE**

DOLIUS 29th Feb. For Port Said, Haifa, Liverpool & Glasgow.  
CURYLOCHUS 1st Mar. For Port Said, Liverpool, Haifa & Glasgow.

**NEW YORK SERVICE**

PHENIX 6th Feb. For Boston, New York & Baltimore via Philippines, Port Swettenham & Singapore.

**PACIFIC SERVICE (via Kobe & Yokohama)**

PROTEUS 1st Feb. For Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.

**INWARD SERVICE**

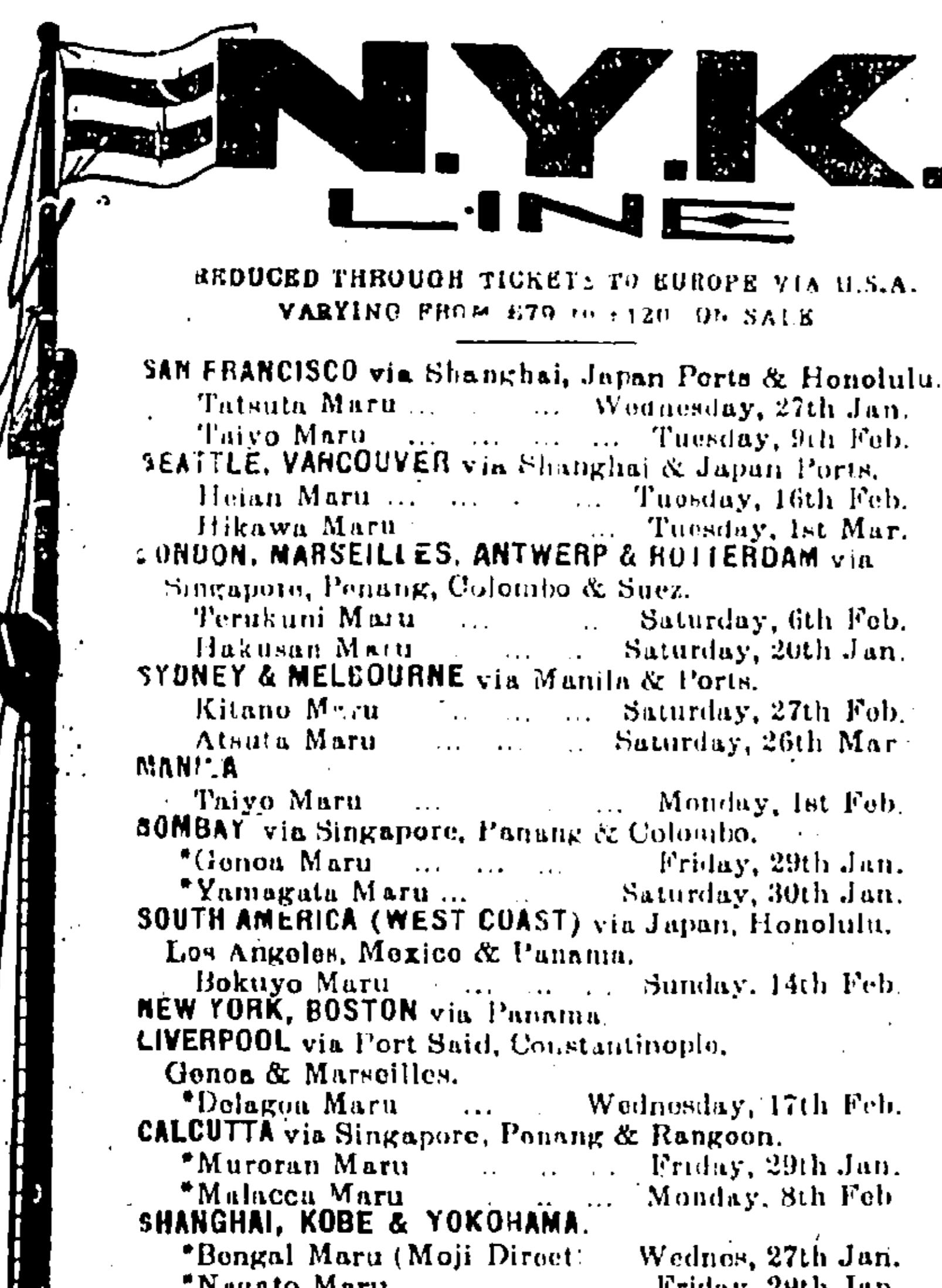
AGAMEMNON Due 20th Jan. For Shantou, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

PERSEUS Due 1st Feb. For Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama & Vladivostok.

Also cargo steamers with limited passenger accommodation especially codified fares.  
For freight, passage rates and information apply to the undermentioned.

All bookings are subject to the provisions of the Company's Bill of Lading.

**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE**  
Agents.



SAN FRANCISCO via Shanghai, Japan Ports & Honolulu.  
Tatsuta Maru ..... Wednesday, 27th Jan.  
Taiyo Maru ..... Tuesday, 9th Feb.  
SEATTLE, VANCOUVER via Shanghai & Japan Ports.  
Heian Maru ..... Tuesday, 16th Feb.  
Hikawa Maru ..... Tuesday, 1st Mar.  
OUNON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM via  
Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Suez.  
Terukuni Maru ..... Saturday, 6th Feb.  
Hakusan Maru ..... Saturday, 20th Jan.  
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.  
Kitano Maru ..... Saturday, 27th Feb.  
Atsuta Maru ..... Saturday, 26th Mar.  
MANILA  
Taiyo Maru ..... Monday, 1st Feb.  
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.  
Genoa Maru ..... Friday, 29th Jan.  
Yamagata Maru ..... Saturday, 30th Jan.  
SOUTH AMERICA (WEST COAST) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.  
Bokuyo Maru ..... Sunday, 14th Feb.  
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.  
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Constantinople, Genoa & Marseilles.  
Delagoa Maru ..... Wednesday, 17th Feb.  
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.  
Muroran Maru ..... Friday, 29th Jan.  
Muhcoco Maru ..... Monday, 8th Feb.  
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA  
Bengal Maru (Moji Direct) ..... Wednesday, 27th Jan.  
Nagato Maru ..... Friday, 29th Jan.  
Kaga Maru ..... Sunday, 31st Jan.  
Cargo only.  
For further information apply to:—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA Telephone 30291. (private exchanges to all Dpts.)

**INDO CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.****SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.**

Destination	Steamers	Sailings.
TO TSINGTAU via SHWATOW & SHANGHAI	Yatshing Daviken Foosbing Hopsong	Sun. 24th Jan at 7 a.m. Wed. 27th Jan at 7 a.m. Sun. 31st Jan at 7 a.m. Wed. 3rd Feb at 7 a.m.
TO SINGAPORE PENANG & CALCUTTA	Chaksong Sulihang Hoang Kutsang	Satur. 23rd Jan at noon. Fri. 5th Feb at 3 p.m. Mon. 22nd Feb at 3 p.m. Tues. 1st Mar at 3 p.m.
TO YOKOHAMA via AMOT, KOBE & OSAKA	Hopang	Mon. 1st Feb at 7 a.m.
TO OSAKA via AMOT, SHANGHAI & KOBE	Kumsang	Wed. 17th Feb at 7 a.m.
TO ANDAMAN	Yusang Maureang	Satur. 23rd Jan at 5 p.m. Wed. 3rd Feb at noon.
TO TIENTSIN via SHWATOW, SHANGHAI & CHEFOO	Chéongshing Chiphriang	Fri. 5th Feb at 7 a.m. Sun. 14th Feb at 7 a.m.

For freight or passage apply to:

**JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.**  
Telephone 30311.

General Managers

**THE SHANGHAI CRISIS.****MORE WARSHIPS BEING SENT.****THREAT TO PRESS.**

TOKYO, Jan. 22. A number of warships have been despatched to Shanghai and several others have been ordered to be ready to leave at a moment's notice owing to growing uneasiness over the situation.

The aircraft-carrier *Notori* is leaving Port Arthur. The cruiser *Oi*, with a landing party of blue-jackets, four destroyers and one other aircraft-carrier left Kure last night.

An additional cruiser and twelve destroyers at Sasebo have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to proceed.

Measures for the protection of Japanese residents at Shanghai were discussed at to-day's meeting of the Cabinet, which decided to leave the whole matter to the discretion of the Navy Minister.—*Reuter*.

**Naval Men v. Newspaper.**  
Shanghai, Jan. 22.

The sensational development of Japanese policy this afternoon is leading to intense speculation regarding the "suitable measures" the Japanese are proposing to take against the Chinese within the International Settlement.

Five Japanese naval men called on the offices of the Chinese paper *Hsin Kuo Jih Pao*, situated at Shantung Road, in the centre of the Settlement, and peremptorily demanded an apology for a statement published that the Japanese Marines had assisted the Japanese mob in the recent attempt to destroy a Chinese factory. The editor was ordered to visit the Japanese Marine garrison with a written apology, to publish a full page apology in the paper, punish the staff member responsible for writing the report and give assurances that there would be no repetition of the offence.

The editor pointed out that other Chinese papers had published a similar report, and a Japanese lieutenant replied that no amendment would be allowed, and if satisfaction were not forthcoming before five o'clock to-morrow morning, the Japanese would take suitable measures.

The editor has appealed to the police for protection, and extra

The despatch of army units is under consideration, "in case the situation at Shanghai becomes serious."—*Reuter Morning Post Special*.

**Police to Oppose.**

SHANGHAI, Jan. 22.

A high International Settlement authority stated this evening that

the Settlement police will unquestionably oppose any attempt by the Japanese Navy to take independent action within the Settlement.

It is understood that the Municipal Councillors consider any proposed action inside the area under their control must first be referred for their consideration.—*Reuter Morning Post Special*.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men of the British Empire who fell on the Somme.—*British Wireless*.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Prince of Wales will, on

Monday week, unveil a memorial to the missing at Thiepval, on the Somme.

The French President, M. Doumergue, will attend the ceremony.

An imposing arch 140 feet in height and 135 feet in breadth has been erected on the ridge overlooking the Somme river. On it

will be an inscription denoting the total number of British and French lives sacrificed during the war, and the names of 73,077 men

Commencing To-morrow at the  
**QUEEN'S**



A triumph  
for Norma  
Shearer's  
dramatic  
talents performed

**NORMA  
SHEARER**

In a new  
screen  
triumph—  
**A  
FREE  
SOUL**  
with  
LEONARD  
BARRYMORE,  
LESLIE HOWARD,  
CLARK GABLE  
and  
Norma Shearer

**MRS. MOTONO.**  
Massage.  
Hand and Electric  
31b, Wyndham Street



**FRENCH MAIN STEAMERS.**  
Sailings from Hongkong.

To Marseilles via Saigon,  
Singapore, Colombo, Djibouti  
(Aden) Suez, Port-Said.

CHENONCEAUX... 2nd Feb.  
ATHOS II..... 1st Feb.  
D'ARTAGNAN... 1st Mar.  
ANDRE LEIRON... 15th Mar.  
FELIX ROUSSEL... 29th Mar.  
G METZINGER... 12th Apr.  
SPHINX..... 26th Apr.  
PORTHOS..... 10th May.

We can issue through tickets to Egypt, Syrian ports,  
East Africa, Madagascars by transhipment on our mail  
steamers at Port-Said or Djibouti.

**COMMERCIAL LINE.**

For DUNKIRK via Haiphong, Oran Le Havre: s.s. "DT.  
P. BENITO" on or about 8th February.

For full Particulars, apply to:

Cia. de MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

3, Queen's Building.

**GLEN LINE.**

FARES HONGKONG TO LONDON.

1st June/30 November ... £60.00.  
1st December/31st May ... £75.00.

TO LONDON, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG via STRAITS & COLOMBO.

Motor Vessel "GLENGARRY" leaves Hongkong 4th Feb.  
TO SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VLADIVOSTOCK.

Motor Vessel "GLENAMOY" ..... 24th Jan.  
Steamship "CARNARVONSHIRE" ..... 1st Feb.  
Motor Vessel "GLENLUCE" ..... 15th Feb.  
Steamship "PEMBROKESHIRE" ..... 26th Feb.

For freight, passage and further particulars, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

AGENTS: THE GLEN LINE, LTD.



Left, three performing elephants, a feature of Hartmann's Circus which is giving its opening show on the area next to the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon, on Monday. Photo on right shows J. Williams, the bounding jockey of the show.

**CHINA CUSTOMS REVENUE.**

**BIG ADVANCE AT MOST STATIONS**

Shanghai, Jan. 22.—The Maritime Customs revenue for last year, consisting of import duties, export and inter-port duties and tonnage dues, totalled 216,000,000 Halkuan taels, compared with 180,570,000 in 1930. Increases were registered as follows:

Harbin: 1,193,000  
Dairen: 113,000  
Newchow: 336,000  
Tientsin: 10,115,000  
Kiaochow: 2,258,000  
Hankow: 2,063,000  
Shanghai: 37,892,000  
Amoy: 567,000  
Swatow: 186,000  
Canton: 1,382,000  
Kowloon: 4,078,000  
The only decrease was Antung: 452,000.

The native customs collections until May 31, the date when these establishments were closed by the Government, amounted to 2,250,000 Halkuan taels.

Flood relief surtax, enforced on December 1, amounted to 1,025,000 taels.

All foreign loan and indemnity obligations secured on the Customs revenue, including the service of the Reorganization Loan of 1913, were met in full. They cost 119,813,000 Shanghai taels, or 28,338,660 more than in 1930.

The service (both interest and redemption) of all domestic loans and Treasury notes secured on the cancelled indemnities and on additional duty, have been met or provided for in full.—*Renter*.

**GEMS OF PERIL.**

*Continued from Page 3.*

"Don't worry. He'll come around all right! Everything will come out fine—see if it doesn't?" She kissed him lightly on the cheek and was relieved to see his eyes twinkle at her mischievously.

"He certainly blamed you around proper, didn't he, miss?" he teased.

There was an unaccustomed flash in the grey eyes. "I'll make him eat those words some day!"

"But look here," he turned seriously suddenly, "you oughtn't to take a chaise wearing that necklace up there, Mary! If it worries me—"

"Just let him see it!" Mary pleaded. "Then I'll take it off again or you can take it away and lock it up again, if you like. He thinks I've got it out of the safe, but he isn't sure. If he shows up to-night at all, this will make him try to it now. I don't want to wait any longer, either—I want to know quickly. And then as soon as the police take him, I want to get back to New York."

"That so?" Jupiter seemed surprised. "Now I kinda counted on your going on a little fishing trip soon as this is over— kinda made up my mind I'd like to try for some tarpon down around Dry Tortugas."

Mary said tremulously, "I'm afraid I've lost my fish and I must go back and get him!" Suddenly she was crying, to her intense mortification.

"Ho!" Jupiter scoffed, patting her shoulder. "He'll come running the minute he sees you. Don't you worry!" Henry Bates demanded, gruffly. "When do we eat?"

They all went out to the elevator together. There was the sound of a telephone ringing, and after listening a minute they decided that it came from Mary's room.

Bates groaned at the delay and rolled impatient eyes to the ceiling to indicate the state of his appetite.

At first the voice over the wire appeared to be no one Mary recognized. She was about to hang up, thinking someone had called the room by mistake. It was a girl's voice, and she appeared to be pleasantly excited about something.

"It's the mail clerk, Miss Harkness!"

"Oh," Mary said, "of course. Stupid of me. You've a letter for me, is that it?"

"Not a letter, Miss Harkness, but I wanted to tell you—you've been so anxious for a letter from Mr.

**SEQUEL TO LOAN TO A SALESMAN.**

**PLAINTIFF SUCCEEDS IN A COURT ACTION.**

Judgment for the plaintiff with costs on a claim for bean cakes sold and delivered, was given by the Chinese Judge (Mr. Justice Lindell) in the Summary Court yesterday.

Plaintiff was the Yuen Yuen Firm, No. 41, Tung Chan Street, Sham-shui-po, Kowloon, the defendants being the Hang San Loong Kee Firm, Chan Hok-kam and Chan Shuk-chu, all of No. 128, Connacht Road West.

His Lordship found in favour of plaintiff for \$420.62 with costs. Mr. F. C. E. Rendall was for plaintiff and Mr. H. L. Dennis defended.

**CHIANG & WANG IN NANKING.**

**CHANG REFUSES OPINION.**

Nanking, Jan. 22.—It transpires that no conference was held at the Memorial park this morning, owing to the non-arrival of Chiang Kai-shek, who was due to attend.

Chiang arrived at Nanking from Tongshan at 3 p.m. and proceeded to the headquarters of the officers of the Moral Endeavour Association, where he awaited the return of Wang Ching-wei, who had gone to see Mr. T. V. Soong.

All the afternoon important personages arrived at the Association for an important conference, which it is expected will be held some time this evening.

Chiang Kai-shek has refused to express any opinions on the political situation.—*Reuter*.

Bayther that he's here, now."

"Here? Where?"

"Here in Miami. At the Blackstone, I think. But just look at to-night's paper, under 'New Arrivals,' and you'll see it. I have to read it every day, you know, to know who's stopping at the other hotels, in case the wrong letters come here, you see!"

"Thank you! Thank you!"

"I thought you'd want to know!"

In a perfect daze of happiness, Mary hung up the receiver.

Dirk was here! Dirk had come!

He hadn't written, he had come himself!

*(To be Continued.)*

**Some  
VICTOR  
RED SEAL  
RECORDS.**

1166 { Sylvia Ballot  
1166 { (Violins)  
San Francisco Orch.

{ Albumatt.

1170 { Homo exque.  
Violin—Kroslar.

1174 { Dinora. Ombra Leggiera  
Song by Galli Curci.

1419 { Fairy Tale.  
Suggestion Diabolique.  
Pinto—Moisitch.

1413 { My Lovely Colina.  
All Through the Night.  
Sung by Werrenrath.

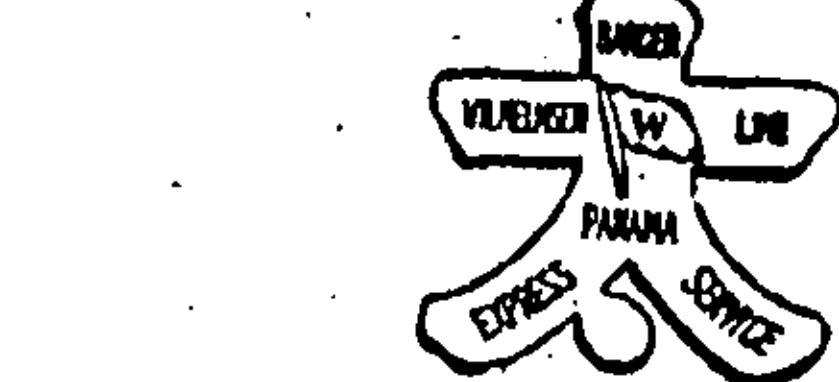
obtainable at

**TSANG FOOK PIANO CO.**

8 Des Voeux Road, Central.

Entrance Ice House Street)

Telephone C. 24648.



**BARBER WILHELMSEN  
LINE.**

THE PREMIER ALL WATER ROUTE TO  
NEW YORK and other U.S. Atlantic Ports via  
Panama.

All Vessel call at SAN FRANCISCO and LOS  
ANGELES en route.

Passengers desiring to travel, by this interesting  
route will find the accommodation provided  
well up to their expectations and at a cost most  
reasonable.

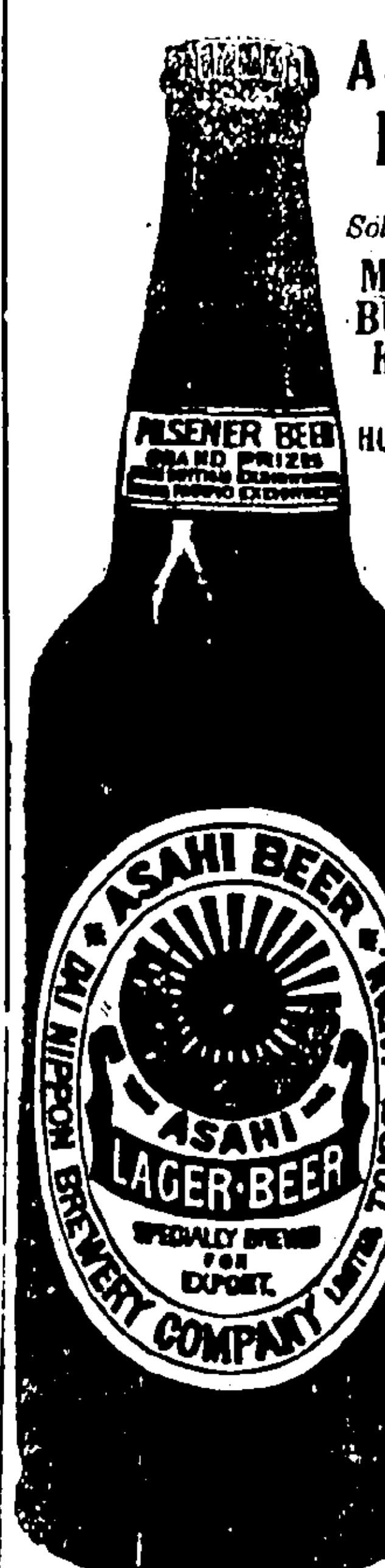
For Passenger and Freight information please apply:-

**DODWELL & CO., LTD.**

Queen's Buildings. Agents. Telephone 28021.

**ASAHI  
BEER**

Sole Agent  
MITSUI  
BUSSAN  
KAISHA  
LTD.  
HONGKONG



**BEST  
QUALITY**

**P. & O. BRITISH-INDIA, APCAR AND  
EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN LINES.**

(COMPANIES incorporated in ENGLAND)

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading for Straits, Java and Burma, Ceylon, India, Persian Gulf, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Australia, including New Zealand & Queensland Ports, Red Sea Egypt, Constantinople, Greece, Levantine Ports, Europe Etc.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL FORTNIGHTLY DIRECT  
ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

(UNDER CONTRACT WITH H.M. GOVERNMENT.)

S. S	Tons	From Hong Kong about	Destination
CHITRAL	15,000	30 Jan. 1 con.	Bombay, Miles & Ldon
O'ALIPORE	5,300	8th Feb.	Straits, Colombo & Bay
KASHMIR	9,000	13th Feb.	Miles, Ldon, R'dm, A'werp & Hull
NALDERA	16,000	27th Feb.	Bombay, Miles & Ldon
ISOUDAN	6,800	5th Mar.	Miles, Ldon, Havre, H'burg Rotterdam Antwerp & Hull
CARTHAGE	15,000	12th Mar.	Marseilles & London
RAJPUTANA	17,000	26th Mar.	Marseilles & London
"Cargo only."	Calls Camb. Bianor	Calls Djibouti	Calls Karachi

Frequent connections from Port Said for Passengers and Cargo of Constantiopole, Piraeus, Smyrna and other Levant Ports by Steamers of the Khedivial Mail S.S. Co.

**BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS.**

TALMA	10,000	26 Jan. 3 p.m.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TALAMBA	8,000	9th Feb.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

"Calls Port Swatthenham.

B. I. ApCar Line steamers have excellent accommodation for 1st and 2nd class passengers.

**EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South).**

NELLORE	7,000	30 Jan. 11 a.m.	Manila, Rabat
TANDA	7,000	4th Mar.	Brisbane, Sydney
NANKIN	7,000		

# CENTRAL

SEE THEATRE HERE

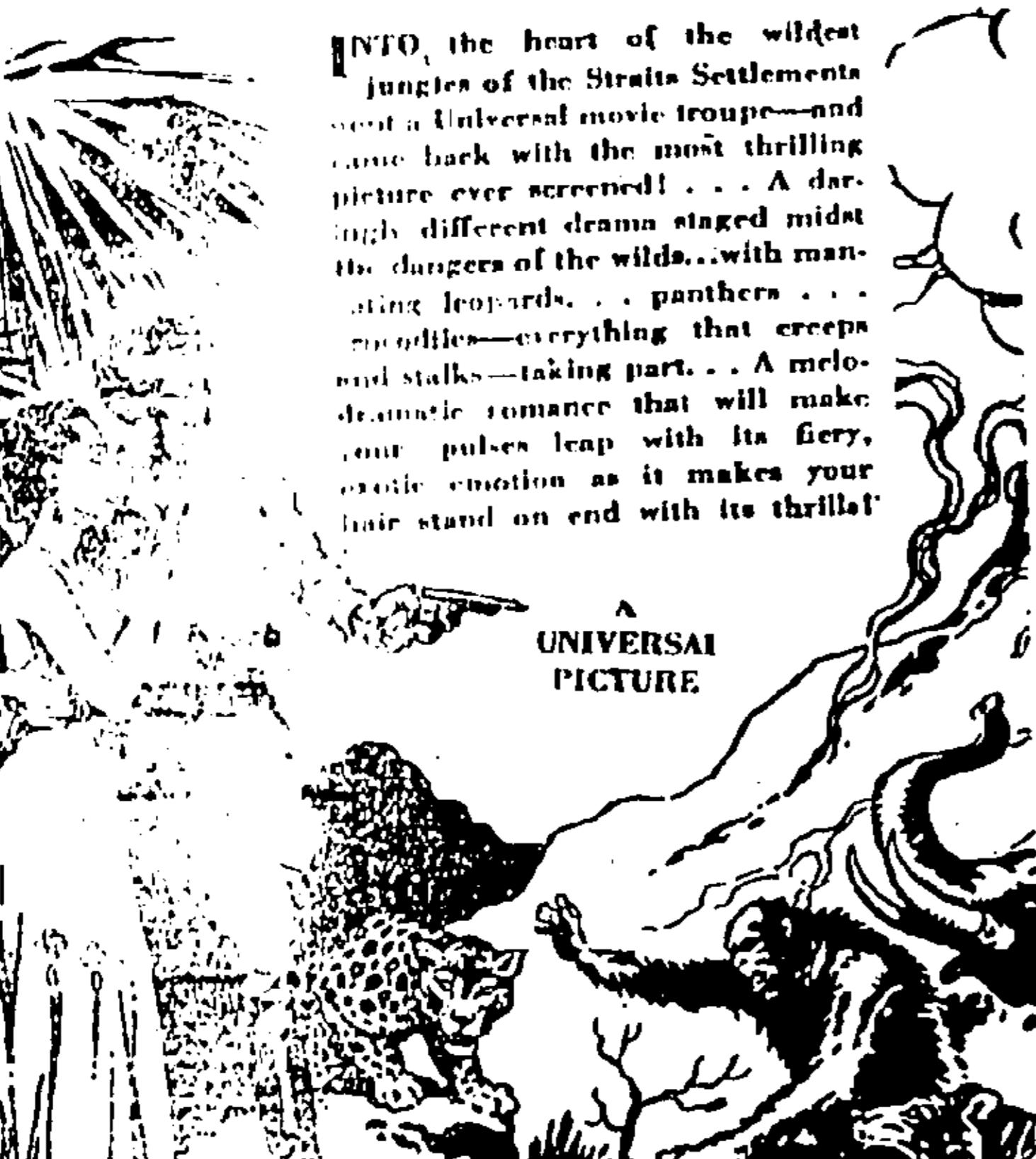
**TO-DAY ONLY.**  
at 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20 p.m.

## IT'S A GREAT TALKIE.

The Mightiest  
Melo-Drama Romance  
Ever Conceived in the  
Mind of Man.

The fury of Nature leaps up in two layers—  
the power of savage man, lurking beast, hungry reptile, diabolical  
jungle or mud swamp!

A volcano in full eruption...Lava waves by the humble hut and gorgeous palace...hand to claw fight between  
unarmed men and savages...a mad dash to the  
bloody yawning grotto...Things you have never  
even dreamed of taking place right before your very eyes  
in the picture that packs a thrill in every scene it depicts  
during scenes.



## EAST OF BORNEO"

with ROSE HOBART, CHARLES BICKFORD,  
LAPU, KAY, GEORGE BREMONT. Produced by Carl Laemmle, Jr.  
Directed by George Bickford. Presented by Carl Laemmle.

— ALSO —  
SLIM SUMMERVILLE

IN

## "SARGIE'S PLAYMATE"

Commencing To-morrow.



LEO CARRILLO  
JOHNNIE MACK BROWN  
DOROTHY BURGESS

Slim Summerville, Fred Corman. Directed by Carl Laemmle, Jr.  
Produced by George Bickford. Presented by Carl Laemmle.

Printed and Published for the Proprietors by FREDERICK PEERY  
FRANKLIN, at 1 and 3, Wyndham Street, in the City of Victoria  
Hongkong.

## Laval Also Slamming Doors.

### FRENCH FOREIGN POLICY.

Paris, Jan. 22.—The French Government will not allow any of the treaties decreed by its predecessors to be proscribed, declared M. Laval, obviously referring to the agitation against the Treaty of Versailles, in the course of his statement of foreign policy to a packed Chamber this afternoon.

M. Laval, who is Foreign Minister as well as Premier, said that France would only accept reductions in reparations as reductions were granted her on war debts.

The provisions of the Young Plan, he went on, could not be modified. All that could be done was to alleviate the charges by a moratorium.

France had made many gestures of goodwill to facilitate European Union, but would not accept that the will of Germany should alone dictate the solution.

#### Franco-British Agreement?

The same rules of honesty as applied to the relations of men applied to international relations (general cheers) and he thought that an agreement between Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and himself in regard to the future Reparations Conference was only a question of time.

M. Laval went on to say that the dismemberment policy of France was in conformity with the League of Nations Covenant, but she was not prepared to accept any improvisations that might compromise her security.

#### Set an Example.

France in the last ten years had set an example in the reduction of armaments, but she would go further and would submit positive proposals for the realisation of political conditions of immediate mutual assistance.

The technical procedure of a reduction of armaments would then be easy to work out. He concluded by appealing for a party truce and received a tremendous ovation and received a tremendous ovation.

The Chamber then expressed its confidence in the Government by rejecting an opposition motion moved by M. Herrliett by 503 votes to 265.

Subsequently a direct vote of confidence in the Government was carried by 312 votes to 261. Reuter.

In London, the advance was 2/8ths spot and 5/10ths forward, due to the Continent buying. There were small offerings. After the official fixing, the market ruled idle, with buyers satisfied.

New York reports an advance of a quarter, with the market steady. The cross-rate is down to 3.45.

Shanghai is quite steady, due to the Japanese developments, at 18.10.7/8d.

Locally, the market is steady, the outside rate being about 18.51/4d, but there is little business doing.

## LORD READING'S ILLNESS.

### NOW REGARDED ANXIOUSLY.

Luxor, Jan. 22.—There is now little doubt that Lord Reading is very ill.

A doctor and a nurse arrived at Luxor by air from Cairo at three o'clock this afternoon. The doctor very soon afterwards diagnosed the illness as influenza and bronchitis.

It is believed that in all likelihood it will prove a lengthy case. The Anglo-American Hospital



Cairo is despatching a special messenger to Luxor to-night with medical supplies.

Later, it was announced this evening that Lord Reading's condition was slightly worse. He is now suffering from acute bronchitis and slight congestion of the lungs.

Reuter.

## DOLLAR RISES A FARTHING.

### REFLECTS SILVER ADVANCE.

With silver up both in London and New York, the Hongkong dollar has appreciated a farthing to-day, the rate being 18.51/16d. on demand.

In London, the advance was 2/8ths spot and 5/10ths forward, due to the Continent buying.

There were small offerings.

After the official fixing, the market ruled idle, with buyers satisfied.

New York reports an advance of a quarter, with the market steady. The cross-rate is down to 3.45.

Shanghai is quite steady, due to the Japanese developments, at 18.10.7/8d.

Locally, the market is steady, the outside rate being about 18.51/4d, but there is little business doing.

## EARLY MORNING BLAZE.

### WELLINGTON STREET OUTBREAK.

#### INMATES ESCAPE.

To the long list of fires which have occurred in the Colony during the past couple of months is to be added yet another disastrous outbreak. Fortunately, in the present instance, there were no casualties, the inmates either escaping or being rescued by the Fire Brigade which was immediately on the scene.

The outbreak occurred in Wellington Street, just off Pottinger Street, in house No. 63, which was occupied by a joss-paper merchant, with the two upper floors used as tenements.

#### Futile Attempts.

On the ground floor, where the manager of the Fuk Wah and his folks were asleep, the fire broke out at 2.45 this morning. The floor was alight for some little time before the inmates became aware of the danger. They instantly attempted to extinguish the flames by means of blankets, but without success. The alarm was raised and a message sent to the police and the Fire Brigade.

Being within a stone's throw of the Central Police Station, police officers were quickly on the scene and were immediately followed by the appliances from the Central and other fire stations. Jets were directed from the buildings opposite and from the streets.

#### House Destroyed.

In about half an hour's time the flames were subdued, the fighters effectively preventing the fire from spreading to the adjoining buildings. The house involved was completely burnt out but the two houses next door were but little damaged.

A large quantity of joss paper was stored on the ground floor in readiness for the Chinese New Year and once alight this highly inflammable material soon made the building a blazing furnace.

The alarm was raised before the outbreak had assumed serious dimensions and number of the inmates were able to make good their escape through the trap doors on to the roof before the arrival of the brigade.

#### Rescued by Firemen.

A few occupants of the upper floors were rescued by the firemen whose arrival on the scene almost immediately the alarm was given prevented any casualties.

It is understood that the goods on the ground floor were worth about \$3,000 and were insured for \$2,000.

## QUEEN'S

Final Showings To-day  
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

### WAS SHE ANY HAPPIER

than the girls  
in her father's  
stores?

They had their men—  
but she was even locked  
out from love!

## MARION DAVIES

FIVE



## LESLIE HOWARD

RICHARD BENNETT, IRENE  
RICHL, KENT DOUGLAS,  
MARY DUNCAN

### TO-MORROW

#### NORMA

## SHEARER A FREE SOUL GREAT!

FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY  
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.20 & 9.20.

## STAR

CECIL DEMILLE'S SPECTACLE

## "DYNAMITE"

CHARLES BICKFORD  
KAY JOHNSON

## MAJESTIC

### TO-DAY ONLY.

At 2.30, 5.20, 7.20  
& 9.20 p.m.

Phillips Holmes  
Sylvia Sidney  
Frances Dee



## "AN AMERICAN TRAGEDY"

HONGKONG  
10 A.M. 9 P.M.

## AQUARIUM

OPEN DAILY  
2 DOORS FROM WHITEAWAYS  
OPEN DAILY

